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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

An extraordinary sitting of the Council of the Russian Empire has been summoned to consider the situation. —— At Moscow yesterday the bells of 500 churches tolled sad requiem to the assassinated Grand Duke Sergius. —— It is believed in diplomatic circles at St. Petersburg that Russia's only alternative is to sue for peace with Japan —— Assassins now threaten the life of the Empress mother. ——The Grand Dukes of Russia have withdrawn opposition to the Zemsky Sabor, or land congress. —— Japan denies that she has made overtures of peace to Russia. ——Fighting is progressing at Mukden and Russian advices express the opinion that large forces of Japanese troops are in rear of the Russian army, cutting General Kuropatkin's communications. —— The Senate yesterday decided yesterday not to compel Judge Swayne to incriminate himself with statements made by him before a House committee. —— The House yesterday appropriated $138,-25,0 0 for pensions —— In records of the Isthmian Canal Commission it is shown that in addition to their $10,00 salary and large expense allowance, they accepted fees as director of the Panama Railroad. —— Yesterday at a meeting of Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick's creditors, she burst into tears when Nathan Loeser, whom she disliked, was appointed trustee; she, however, was gay over the examination of claims against her. —— In Paris yesterday a Spaniard who intended to blow up the Mexican Legation was terribly injured by the premature explosion of the bomb he was to use. ——New York markets. Money on call was nominal, notions, cotton was quoted steady at 8.15; flour firm but dull; wheat, spot firm, No 2 red $1.24 f. o. b. afloat; corn, spot steady, No. 2 53c at elevator; oats, spot quiet, mixed 26@32 pounds, 37 @38c; rosin steady, strained common to good $2.85; spirits turpentine steady at 54@55c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 18.

Meteorological data for the twenty four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 33; 8 P. M., 44 degrees; maximum, 49 degrees; minimum 31 degrees; mean 40 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, 00; rainfall since first of the month to date, 3.17 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A.M., Friday 24.6 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, February 18.—For North Carolina. Fair Sunday; rain Sunday night and Monday; fresh northeast winds, increasing.

Port Almanac—February 19.

Sun Rises	6.46 A. M.
Sun Sets	5 44 P. M.
Day's Length	10 H. 58 M.
High Water at Southport	7.32 A. M.
High Water at Wilmington	10.02 A. M.

After all the woes we've seen the dreary Winter bring, We'll shy no stone at anyone who writes "An Ode to Spring."

Byron wrote for all time. He also wrote this for President Roosevelt: "O h, for a Lodge in some vast wilderness where man's feet never trod!"

Women rush the bargain counters for goods reduced below the regular price, but when they want to select a husband they avoid the man that is reduced in circumstances.

After all, the times may not be so bad y out of joint when the Republican majority in the United States Senate begins to know when the constitution is having violence done to it.

It is announced that the Standard Oil Company the past week declared a quarterly dividend of 15 per cent. With the present lights before us we can't say just what methods are used to make money so slick.

A London physician now declares that the excessive drinking of water is one of the causes of appendicitis. It really appears as if the water wagon must go. It has a hard road to travel at best.

"Are you the editor?" asked the worried Senator. "If you are," he went on, "please do not allow (Ind) to appear in print after my name. Of course, that is the abbreviation for "Independent" but the people might construe it "Indicted."

President Roosevelt has now buckled on his armor and gone up against the Standard Oil Company. He will find them pretty slick people, but it is too early yet to wonder if anybody is going to get "greased" by coming in contact with a lot like that.

It is announced that Col. William J Bryan offers President Roosevelt a plan for settling his contest with the Senate. If the President accepts Col. Bryan's offer, it will complete the evidence that the Democrats couldn't elect a President but know how to capture one after he is elected by the other party.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Gas—Cook with it.
Clyde Line—Sailing days.
C. W Yates & Co.—Wall paper.
H M. Bremer—The Elite Market.
Geo. R French & Sons—Oxfords.
Leger Meyer—Exclusive tailoring.
Solomon's Shoe Store-Shoes repaired
Masonic—Meeting Concord Chapter.
To-day—Cars to Beach every hour

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Wanted—Boarders.
Wanted—Salesman.
M. C. Darby & Co.—For sale.

MR. JAS. D. SMITH DEAD.

Many Years an Employe of Alexander Sprunt & Son and Citizen Held in High Esteem—Funeral.

The community learned with sorrow yesterday of the death of Mr. James Dickson Smith, which occurred at 8:50 A. M., at his home on Second, between Chesnut and Grace streets, after a long and painful illness with a complication of diseases. Mr. Smith had been in poor health for several years and had undergone two or more operations with a hope of relief which never came. The last was performed at the James Walker Memorial Hospital, on the 7th instant but it was seen then that the patient could not live and he was brought back to his home last Thursday to quietly await the end.

The news of Mr. Smith's death, while not unexpected, brought sorrow to many yesterday, for he was held in the highest esteem by all who knew him. For twenty years or more he had been in the employ of Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son as chief cotton weigher and he was considered by that firm one of its truest and most earnest employes. Mr. Smith was a son of the late James C. Smith and was born in this city April 28th, 1863. In June, 1897, he married Miss Amanda Newman, of Knoxville, Tenn. and she survives him with one brother, Mr. W. C. Smith, of this city, and three sisters Mrs. A. B. Sandlin, of Wilmington, and Mrs. H. T. Ives and Miss Nolie Smith, of Peoria, Texas. Mr. Smith was a member of Wilmington Lodge No. 319, A. F. & A. M. and Cape Fear Lodge No 2, I. O. O. F. He was also a member of the W. L. I. Reserve Corps, having served his time as an active member of the company and during the days of the volunteer fire department was an enthusiastic and one of the leading members of Atlantic S. F. E. Company.

Mr. Smith was a devoted member of the First Presbyterian church and Rev. J. M. Wells, Ph. D., pastor of that congregation, will conduct the funeral from the late residence at 4 o'clock this afternoon. The remains will be laid to rest in Oakdale cemetery.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Regular convocation of Concord Chapter No. 1, R. A. M., to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock.

—The Revenue Cutter "Seminole" will sail to-day for Southport and thence on Monday for a cruise south.

— The Carolina Yacht Club will meet Monday night at 8 o'clock in the county court room. A full attendance is desired.

— Only three arrests had been made by the police up to 3 o'clock this morning. The offences charged are trifling.

— Cape Fear Chapter, U. D. C., will hold its February meeting Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Wilmington Light Infantry armory.

— The Y. M. C. A. basket ball games Friday night resulted in a victory of 21 to 6 in favor of Schulken over Harper and McGeachy over Dosher by a score of 9 to 5.

— The property recently given by Mr. Thos. H. Wright to the Chapel of the Good Shepherd is not for a chapel rectory, as erroneously stated, but is for other church purposes.

—The Norwegian barque "Turist," Capt. Olafsen, from Cape Town, South Africa, arrived yesterday to Messrs. Holde & Co., and will receive cargo of naval stores from Messrs. Paterson, Downing & Co.

— Effie Campbell, the unhappy white woman who ended her existence on MacRae street Friday night by taking carbolic acid, was was given a decent burial yesterday in Oakdale cemetery. The funeral services were conducted by Dr. Carmichael.

— Rev. J. A. McKaughan, pastor of Brooklyn Baptist church, will be the speaker at the Y. M. C. A. men's meeting this afternoon at 5 o'clock. In addition to the address there will be a fine musical programme. All men are invited.

—The C. R., L. & P. Co. has purchased from Mr. I. R. Wilson the splendid triple, maple bowling alleys, over the Excelsior Saloon, opposite The Orton, and will move the same to the new pavilion now going up on Wrightsville Beach.

— Dr. McMillan, county superintendent of health, yesterday discovered and quarantined two more cases of smallpox in the Wrightsboro section of the county. The patients are Hattie Moore and Robert Tate, both colored.

— The steamer "Wilmington" is now running on a daily schedule to Southport, leaving Wilmington at 9:15 A. M., and returning, arrive at Wilmington at 4:30 P. M. On Saturdays, leave Wilmington at 2 P. M., returning, arrive at Wilmington, at 7:30 P.M.

— The Epicurean Club was most delightfully entertained Friday evening at a Valentine party at the home of Rev. Fred. D. Hale, on Chesnut street, between Sixth and Seventh. Refreshments, games and other entertaining features were enjoyed. The number of guests was about 20.

— Capt. R. M. McIntire, of this city, Friday received a telegram announcing the death of his cousin, Capt. T. H. W. McIntire, of Teachey's, for many years superintendent of public instruction and a prominent citizen of Pender county. The funeral was conducted at Ivanhoe, N. C., yesterday.

Big line of Silver just opened at Bisinger's.

SUSPENSION OF BANK

Sensation in Fayetteville Yesterday by Failure and Arrest of Two Officials.

WILMINGTON INTERESTED.

Shortage of $28,000 in Accounts of Cashier and Teller Disclosed by Expert Accountant and State Examiner. R. T. Gray, Receiver.

The Bank of Fayetteville, until a week ago regarded as one of the strongest financial institutions in the Cape Fear section, closed its doors yesterday morning and its affairs are now in the hands of State Bank Examiner J. O. Ellington. Cashier John C. Haigh and Paying Teller George G. Myrover, trusted employes and officials of the bank and among Fayetteville's most highly esteemed citizens, have been arrested and are now under bond of $10,000 until the responsibility for a shortage of $28,000, disclosed by an examination of the State Bank Examiner and an expert accountant, is fixed. It is claimed that the bank is perfectly solvent and that depositors will receive dollar for dollar upon their deposits.

OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

The following notice appeared on the closed doors of the bank yesterday morning:

"At an adjourned meeting of the board of directors of the Bank of Fayetteville, called by the president and held at the residence of the president at 8 o'clock P. M., Feb. 16th, 1905, there were present H. W. Lilly, J. R. Williams, W. J. McDiarmid, A. R. McKethan and W. S. Cook. The president reported that an investigation of the books of the bank by Mr. M. C. Hughes, an expert accountant, shows a shortage in the accounts of the cashier and teller of about $28,000. Thereupon, on motion of the president, Mr. H. W. Lilly, the following resolution was unanimously adopted, to-wit: 'Whereas, the official examination of the bank by the State bank examiner, verified by the board of directors, through an investigation by an expert accountant employed by the bank, discloses a shortage in the accounts of the cashier and teller of about $28,000, which, when charged off, will seriously affect public confidence in the bank and lead to a run by depositors, which cannot be met on short notice on account of large savings; and,

"'WHEREAS, the directors are confident that the general, as well as savings depositors, will be paid in full, the loss finally to be born by the stockholders, but desire that no one depositor shall obtain any preference over another; therefore,

"'*Resolved*, That to prevent any preference and to protect all who have trusted the bank with their money the Corporation Commission be requested at once to take charge of the bank's assets, pending a more complete examination of its affairs and possible arrangement for a reorganization of the bank.'"

H. W. LILLY, President,
A. A. MCKETHAN, (Sec.)
JNO. O ELLINGTON,
State Bank Examiner.

The first news of serious trouble in the Fayetteville bank's affairs reached the city yesterday morning through the medium of private telegrams to the commercial banks of Wilmington, although Cashier J. V. Grainger, of the Murchison National, and Cashier Joseph W. Yates, of the Atlantic National, of this city, had been summoned to Fayetteville the night before to assist the directors, if possible, in averting the collapse. However, it is stated officially and positively that neither of the local banks referred to will suffer in the least by the failure of the Fayetteville institution and that the visit of Messrs. Grainger and Yates was solely for the purpose of lending a helping hand to their neighbors of the upper Cape Fear.

On account of the intimate business and social relations existing between Wilmington and Fayetteville, the news of the bank's suspension and the arrest of Messrs. Haigh and Myrover caused a profound sensation here. This feeling was intensified from the further fact that a number of Wilmington people owned stock in the bank, to whom the news of the closing and the arrest of the officials came with as much surprise and regret as it came to the public at large. The capital stock of the bank is $160,000 and according to the last official records obtainable the stockholders in Wilmington and their stock are as follows: Miss Fannie R. Williams, 131 shares; Miss Fannie R. Williams, trustee, 33 shares; John K. Williams, 9 shares; Miss Martha Williams, 47 shares; Mrs. Lucy W. Giles, 104 shares; Miss Lucile Murchison, 6 shares; A. S. Williams, 72 shares; Bishop A. A. Watson, et al., trustees, 33 shares; Mrs. Walker Taylor, 10 shares; Preston Cumming, 30 shares. It will be seen that 459 of the 1,600 shares of stock were owned in Wilmington.

The January statement of the bank showed deposits of $318,000; total assets, $520,000; surplus and profits about $39,000. The State Bank Examiner said last night that there will be no trouble in paying the depositors in full, but that he cannot as yet determine what will be the loss to stockholders. The paper of the bank is said to be good with the possible exception of a few thousand dollars, and the wonder is that the directors could not have seen their way clear to apply the surplus and profits to the shortage and continue business. However, those matters were carefully threshed out at the meeting Friday night and the directors acted as they thought would be best for all concerned.

The men arrested have many friends here, who still maintain the utmost confidence in their integrity. A son of Mr. Myrover, employed in the A. C. L. offices here, was summoned home by a telegram yesterday. Mr. Myrover is understood to be an elder in the Presbyterian church at Fayetteville, and Mr. Haigh, a vestryman in the Episcopal church; men hitherto blameless in their lives and of high standing in the community. Nothing but sympathy for the men in trouble was heard on the streets here yesterday.

The following special telegram was received by the STAR last night.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., Feb. 18.—The failure of the Bank of Fayetteville was one of the greatest surprises and severest shocks our people ever experienced. People from the county hastened to the city and helped to swell the groups that stood about the streets all day along and discussed the suspension and arrest of two of our citizens in whom the public always placed implicit confidence. Persons in the neighboring towns 'phoned anxiously to know the true state of affairs and the women who had placed their savings in the vaults were seeking advice on the chances of recovery, from their friends and advisors. Sentiment alternated between possible financial loss and sympathy for the cashier and the teller and their families.

Mr. John C. Haigh, the cashier, and Mr. George Myrover, the teller, were arrested early this morning but did not remain long in the custody of the sheriff, bail being furnished in the sum of $10,000 each for their appearance at court Monday. The preliminary hearing was waived.

A shortage in accounts was discovered in December. The assistant, then the State Bank Examiner came and then the expert. The examination showed the loss to be in the accounts with other banks. The public may feel sure that dollar for dollar will be paid depositors and the stockholders believe they will recover 60 to 70 per cent.

This bank was organized in 1870, but changed from a national to a State institution in 1888. Its capital stock is $168,000. The deposits amount to $305,000, including $175,000 in the savings department. Not counting stockholders' liability, the assets are $465,599. Advance information was given the other bank, The National Bank of Fayetteville, and it was prepared to meet a run, but the withdrawal of deposits exceeded the disbursements. It presented a hustling scene throughout the day and many visited it out of mere curiosity to see the thousands of dollars piled on the desks and tables.

Coming at such a time, it was more joyful news than ever that Senator Sinclair wired from Raleigh, telling the people that the city's suit to enforce the contract to sell the water works plant, had been decided in favor of the city.

The question that puzzles the people most is where the shortage could have gone, for neither of the suspected officials are extravagant and always seemed to live within their means, though the teller's family is large. The cashier has a wife and two children. Public opinion is that if guilty, they are the victims of incompetence and not theft; certainly they have nothing to show for such an amount of money.

(By Associated Press.)

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 18.—Judge Ferguson, sitting at chambers here this afternoon, heard the application for a receiver for the Bank of Fayetteville and appointed R. T. Gray an attorney at law of Raleigh. The evidence of irregularities showed peculation for the past three years in amounts of from $10 to $13,000. The irregularities consisting in falsifying checks drawn on balances in correspondent banks.

Mr. Myrover, the teller, has confessed to embezzling certain sums. He and Haigh have been released on bond of $10,000 each. The directors say the closing of the bank and putting it in the hands of a receiver was to prevent a run by local parties on the savings department, and to prevent any creditor obtaining a preference.

Dr. Strange in South Carolina.

Rt. Rev. Robert Strange, D. D., Bishop Coadjutor of the East Carolina Diocese, is in South Carolina making a number of official visitations for Bishop Ellison Capers, of the South Carolina Diocese, whose health continues very bad and who has gone to Florida upon the advice of his physician. Bishop Strange will visit the parishes at Marion, Florence, Darlington and, perhaps, others. He was at Darlington yesterday and will conduct services there to-day.

The Industrial School.

The bill permitting the city to establish an industrial school and maintain the same with an annual appropriation of not less than $3,000 nor more than $5,000 was completed yesterday and forwarded last night to the Legislature for enactment. There are no compulsory features of the law, and the proposition to establish the school will come up again before the Board of Aldermen perhaps at Monday night's meeting.

The Cotton Market.

The cotton market devloped considerable strength yesterday both in futures and spots. March was up 20 points, while other months showed an advance of from 12 to 15 points. The New York spot market was quiet at 8:15, the highest point reached it several months. The local market was steady at 7½c. Local receipts were 511 bales against only 12 same day last year.

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Bill Allowing Governor to Issue Conditional Pardons Passed the House Yesterday.

AS TO THE STATE COURTS.

Emple Introduced Measure Relative to Exchanges of Judges and Others as to Districts — South Dakota Bond Matter Again.

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 18.—The sessions of the General Assembly to-day were rather dull by comparison with those of Thursday and Friday, when the several special orders consumed so much time in argument and passage. Nearly all the bills in both houses today were local. The only bill of especial interest to pass in the House was that allowing the Governor to grant conditional pardons. The joint resolution for the appointment of a committee on the part of the House and Senate to inquire into the South Dakota bond matter, also passed. The only bill of interest in the Senate was one introduced by Mr. Empie, of New Hanover, to amend the Code relative to exchange of courts by Superior Court judges, restricting the privilege and intended to correct certain alleged abuses of that privilege.

The Senate was opened with prayer by Rev. G. W. Starling. Bills introduced were: By Dula, to restrict incurring debts by municipalities; by Bragaw, by request, in regard to sale of wine and cider in Tyrell; by Coxe, for relief of Catlie Kirby, in Anson; by Long, to amend law regulating sale of liquor in Iredell; by Mason, to repeal certain acts regarding inquests in Northampton; by McLean, to amend charters of Laurinburg and Southern Pines; by Turner, relative to fees of witnesses; by Toms, to pension certain Confederate widows; by Foushee, to amend charter of Durham and to amend election law; by Bragaw, for better working of roads in Pasquotank; by Scales, to provide funds for erecting school buildings in Guilford.

Among bills passed third reading were: Allowing bond issues to Charlotte, King's Mountain, Pasquotank county, Goldsboro, Richmond county, Tyrell county; allowing levy of special tax to Hyde, Anson Camden and Madison counties; bills to incorporate Walnut Cove, Rocky Point, the Commercial and Farmers Bank, of Enfield, Stoney Point church, and Talassee Power Co.; bills to amend charters of Mt. Airy, Norwood, Mt. Olive, Falkland, Alpine Cotton Mills, substitute for bill to amend charter of Durham, to amend charters of of Waynesville and Greensboro; bills to drain low lands of French Broad river and tributaries, establish graded schools in Randleman; working roads in Hertford; for sewerage in Monroe; prohibit saw dust in streams of Burke; extend time for rebuilding mill on Bear Creek, Moore county; to amend law regarding drain of lands in Lincoln and other counties; to appoint cotton weigher at Lillington; amend Henderson bird law; prevent tannery discharge in streams above Waynesville; to take Chatham out of Hoey chicken law; to protect fish in Madison and Yancey.

The House was called to order at 10 A. M. by Speaker Guion, who asked Judge Graham, of Granville, to act as speaker pro tem. Prayer was offered by Dr. A. H. Moment. Among bills introduced were: By Powers, to allow L. M. Edwards and C. W. Downing, to register as practicing physicians; by Stronach, of Wake, to provide for inspection of gas, water and electric light meters; by Olive, to amend Sec. 3925 of the Code, to include service of physicians and to appoint W. J. Saunders a magistrate and to allow him to practice law; by Waddell, to provide for a dispensary election in Winston; by Taylor, of Brunswick, to regulate sale of wine in Brunswick; also to regulate mullet fishing in Brunswick; by Meekins, to regulate sale and manufacture of wine and cider and provide for better working of public roads in Tyrell; by Robeson, to regulate assignment of judges in certain districts in case of sickness, etc.; by Redwine, to prohibit sale of cigarettes and cigarette tobacco within the town of Wingate, in Union; to amend the law allowing chain gang in Monroe township to work the streets of the town of Monroe, and to amend the Code providing for the opening of public roads that have been laid out; by Williams, relative to stock law in Duplin, and authorize commissioners to pay off school debt; by Robertson, to divide North Carolina into two judicial districts; by Winborne, to provide rotation of judges and division of State into two judicial districts; by Woodard, to allow town of Wilson to vote on saloons and to regulate granting of licenses to sell liquor; by Stronach, to incorporate Raleigh & Southport railroad; by Frizzell, for relief of J. R. Dale, clerk of the court, and to provide for a liquor election in Greene; by Fowler, for relief of E. S Herring, in Sampson; by Canady, to make seduction and elopement a felony; by Woodard, to exempt firemen of Wilson from poll tax.

Bills passed final reading: To amend charter of Teacheys; to establish graded school in Littleton; to improve public roads in Smithville township, Brunswick county, providing bond issue for same; for special tax election in Eureka township, Moore county; to define limits and establish graded school in Smithfield; to establish graded school in Louisburg; to define duties of cotton weigher at Dunn; to protect clams in waters of New Hanover; to amend Code, relative to buying seed cotton at night; to authorize Newbern to establish work house; to prohibit sale of liquor in Littleton except by vote of people; amend charter of Bank of Littleton, reducing capital stock from $10,000 to $6,500; to incorporate Oak Grove cemetery, in Robeson; to protect perch during bedding season; to amend laws 1903, providing for election of trustees, of Cross Creek, Cumberland county; to prevent sale of liquor in Goldston, Chatham county; to incorporate Great Pee Dee Electric & Power Co.; to regulate 'possum hunting in certain counties; to incorporate Faison Male Academy, Duplin county; to secure compulsory school attendance in Raleigh township and to amend school law; to protect primary elections and political conventions in Raleigh.

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INCREASE ITS ROLLING STOCK

Meeting of A. C. L. Directors in New York Thursday Authorized Purchase of Much New Equipment.

Capt Donald MacRae returned yesterday morning from New York where he attended Thursday the regular monthly meeting of the Directors of the Atlantic Coast Line, Maj. J. J. Lucas, of Society Hill, S. C., who also attended the meeting in New York, tells the Florence Times of yesterday afternoon that the nature of the business transacted was largely routine, but the Directors have decided to make a substantial increase of rolling stock, both freight and passenger cars and engines. The Times says:

"Thirty new engines of the largest type used on the system were ordered to be delivered early in the fall. These new engines will be distributed all over the system and will take the place of the smaller ones now in use. The Coast Line is running many heavy freight trains and many large engines are needed to haul these heavy loads. The order includes numbers of freight and passenger cars, which are to be delivered as early as practicable.

"The movement of fertilizer has begun and a shortage of cars is apparent on all the guano hauling roads. Maj. Lucas who keeps up with the progress of the Coast Line as close as any member of the board of directors says that the freight and passenger business is as heavy and perhaps heavier than ever before. Passenger travel is also on a boom, many tourists are flocking to the south to escape the blizzards and bitter cold of the frozen north. This has been an unusually severe winter all over the country and the increase of travel to warmer climes is perceptible over other years. Both the Coast Line's Florida special and the West India Limited, especially the former, have no vacant berths on their southern trip as is shown by the fact that Maj. Lucas was unable to get accommodations on the Florida special at Washington yesterday. He necessarily had to take the West Indian Limited and it too was crowded."

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mrs. H. C. Prince has returned from a visit to New York.

— Rev. Edward Wootten went up to Faison and Mount Olive yesterday to conduct services Sunday.

— Mr. A. D. Rice, salesman for W. T. Mercer & Co., has just returned from a business trip to Cronly.

— Mrs. C. P. Bolles and Miss Bessie Bolles went to Wallace yesterday to visit Dr. and Mrs. B. R. Graham.

— Friends of Mr. W. G. A. Otterson will regret to know that he is confined to his home with muscular rheumatism.

— Mrs. Chas. E. Taylor, Jr., returned yesterday morning from New York, where she has been visiting for some time.

— Mrs. W. H. Montgomery and children left yesterday to spend some time on a visit to friends and relatives at Punta Gorda, Fla.

— Frederick K. Cooke, Esq., of Wake Forest College, was a guest at The Orton yesterday.

— The numerous friends of Mr. Neill McLaurin will be glad to know that he is convalescing from a five week's illness with typhoid fever. He has been out of the hospital since Thursday.

— Mr. J. J. Smith will leave this morning for Morganton, N. C., to accompany his wife home from the State Hospital. Friends of Mrs. Smith will be glad to know that she has fully recovered after five weeks treatment in the institution at Morganton.

"THE WIZARD OF OZ."

Magnificent Spectacular Production at Academy of Music Last Night.

The magnificent spectacular extravaganza, based on Frank Baum's fairy tale of the "Wizard of Oz," was seen last night by the largest advance-price house of the season at the Academy of Music, the theatre having been literally packed from the orchestra pit to the very doors. And it was well that the large audience was present, for not before this season have Wilmington people seen an attraction of equal splendor and brilliancy.

The chorus was pretty, shapely and well balanced while the leading parts were admirably taken. Of course, the Scare Crow, the Tin Woodman, the cowardly lion and the mooly cow were there and they proved themselves clever and most original creations, new to the local stage in the manner in which they were brought forward. The scenic effects were beautiful, the costumes bright, the singing and dancing good, all rounding out a splendid performance to a splendid house.

The company goes to Raleigh to-day.

Open New Market.

The Elite Market, Messrs. H. M. Bremer and G. J. McMillan proprietors, will open on or about Feb. 23nd, at the stand formerly occupied by S. W. Sanders, northeast corner of Second and Market streets. The market will be in charge of Mr. Bremer, an expert cutter and dealer, who has been in the business twenty years; for the past three years in charge of the Palace Market, in this city. Mr. Bremer is a clever and popular gentleman, and will carry at all times the best to be had in meats, poultry, etc. He invites all his friends and former customers to call on him at the new market.

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Solomon's Shoe Store.

Representative Ed. Taylor.

The Raleigh Times of yesterday afternoon prints an excellent likeness of Brunswick county's popular young member of the Legislature, C. Ed. Taylor Esq., of Southport. The Times highly compliments Mr. Taylor saying his course in the General Assembly has made him conspicuous for his prompt and close attention to business and zealous work upon the several important committees to which he have been assigned. The Times concludes a sketch of Mr. Taylor's professional and legislative career as follows: "We congratulate him as one of the rising young men of the State. He has a high conception of the possibilities of the State and is fearless to advocate whatever is best for the people."

Mr. W. H. Cutts Dead

Friends in this city yesterday learned with sincere regret of the death of Mr. William H. Cutts, a machinist in the Rock Mount shops of the Atlantic Coast Line, who passed away at his home in Rocky Mount, Friday. The remains of Mr. Cutts, accompanied by a delegation from the machinists' union at Rocky Mount, will arrive in the city at 10:10 A. M. to-day and the funeral will be conducted at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon from St. John's Episcopal church with interment in Oakdale cemetery. Mr. Cutts had recently taken one degree in the Rocky Mount lodge, Knights of Pythias, and a delegation from the K. of P. lodges in Wilmington will meet the remains at the station this morning and attend the service this afternoon.

Dr. Strange's Address.

Capt. W. F. Corbett yesterday received a telegram from Bishop Robert Strange, at Darlington, S. C., asking him to postpone the date for the address to the labor unions of the city, which was to have been made in Pythian Castle Hall, on the 24th inst. Bishop Strange with the additional work incident to his having to assist Bishop Capers, of South Carolina, finds it impossible for him to be here on the date originally set. The labor unions, however, hope to have anther appointment for Dr. Strange arranged in the very near future.

DIED.

SMITH—At his residence in this city, No. 218 North Second street, at 8:50 A. M. Saturday, JAMES DICKSON SMITH; age 43 years, nine months and twenty days.

Funeral this (Sunday) afternoon at 4:30 from his late residence, thence to Oakdale cemetery. Friends and acquaintances of the family are invited to attend.

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COMPANIONS—The regular convocation will be held Monday evening at 8 o'clock. By order of the High Priest.

W. A. MARTIN, Secretary.

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The Morning Star.

WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, FEB. 19.

PROSPECTS FOR COTTON.

We presume that the readers of the STAR took due notice of the Associated Press dispatch from Manchester, England, a few days ago, stating that manufactura there, not deterred but encouraged by the bumper cotton crop, have gone to work to erect new mills. The STAR yesterday morning contained Dunn's trade review for trade conditions for the past week and among other things was the important statement that "in the textile industries the most significant event of the week was the revival of export buying of cotton goods for China." We mention this to show the prospect for continued demand for raw cotton, and we might as well add that when the war between Russia and Japan comes to a close there will be an increased demand on that account. Because cotton is contraband of war Japan has not been getting her share of cotton from us, as the United States government in maintaining neutrality has to discourage and prohibit as far as it can the exportation of cotton to Japan.

Speaking of the proposed mill building in Manchester the Manufacturer's Record says, in an editorial entitled "Strengthening the South:"

A dispatch from Manchester, England, reports that the heavy crop of American cotton has caused increased activity in mill building at that point, and that four mills are in course of construction, and at the same time a number of new mills are going up for using Egyptian cotton. The combined capital of these new mills now under construction is $15,000,000, and they are expected to give employment to 9,000 hands. Thus the South continues to furnish the raw material for the further development of the textile interests of Great Britain. So long as Europe buys 60 per cent. of American cotton, turns it into the finished product and exports it to all parts of the world there is room for the extension of the cotton-manufacturing industry in the South. Of course, there are certain conditions of cheap capital, low cost of machinery and cheap labor in England which give that country a very great advantage, but these advantages can be counterbalanced by other advantages in the South, and as the industry grows in this section Southern mills, instead of being injured by the building of new mills and increased competition, will find that the more mills that are built in the South on a sound, legitimate, business basis the sooner will all secure the advantages of low cost of machinery and cheaper capital, and with development of the textile industry will come an increase in population, which will add to the labor supply.

In this connection is it also announced from Manchester that foreign spinners are forming a combination, practically a trust so far as the buying of raw cotton is concerned, in order to secure greater strength in keeping down the price of the staple. Instead of competing with each other in buying cotton, it is said that the foreign mills are forming a combination to buy all of their cotton through one agency, which will then divide out the purchases as made to different mills. Such a combination in Great Britain will of necessity strengthen the South in its determination to develop new methods of handling and carrying cotton.

RECRUDESCENCE OF THE NATIONAL SPIRIT.

The New York Times calls attention to the fact that one of the most curious developments of recent years is the recrudescence of the national spirit in so many of the countries of Europe and Asia. Hungary, weary of its partnership with Austria, seeks complete independence. Poland sees in Russia's troubles a possible chance to regain its lost liberties, and Finland, so long the home of freedom, turns to assassinations in her protests against all attempts at Russification. There is talk of reviving the old Scandinavian union of Sweden, Norway and Denmark, and in the Balkan peninsula the Christian subjects of the Sultan rage with ever-increasing fury against his misgovernment and prepare to do battle for their old independence. Now from Asia Minor comes the news that the Arabs, also chafing under the rule of the unspeakable Turk, have planned an Arabian Empire which shall have its own Sultan.

Misgovernment and oppression sooner or later bring the discontent that provokes the people to rise in their own behalf. It is strange that governments, either Monarchical or Republican, do not learn a lesson from history.

Fraud Exposed.

A few counterfeiters have lately been making and trying to sell imitations of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, and other medicines, thereby defrauding the public. This is to warn you to beware of such people, who seek to profit through stealing the reputation of remedies which have been successfully curing diseases for over thirty-five years. A sure protection to you is our name on the wrapper. Look for it on all Dr. King's or Bucklen's remedies, as all others are mere imitations. H. E. BUCKLEN & Co., Chicago, Ill., and Windsor, Canada. †

CASTORIA.

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

THE QUESTION OF COLOR.

At different times traveling salesmen for nostrums guaranteed to take kinks ont of negro hair and others that will take the black pigment out of his skin, have gone through the South and have done a good business. Such articles of toilet for colored people are widely advertised, and here is what the New York Times of Friday says in an editorial on the subject:

"Our reference, the other day, to humbugging advertisements in a negro paper of nostrums for taking the kinks out of negro hair and the color ont of negro skins, seems to have conveyed to one of our readers his first intimation that the black brother would be a white brother if he could. And the reader apparently finds the intimation surprising. At any rate he says: "Why cannot some of your intelligent colored readers tell us whether the negro prefers a white skin to a black one? I am sure that many white persons have been moved by the same curiosity that has prompted me to write this letter." That is one of the queerest letters we ever received, but the inquiry it contains is not quite as absurd as it seems at first thought. Probably there is not a negro in this country who would not, for many reasons, all of them adequate, give everything he has in the world to be turned white, provided, of course, the transportation was more than superficial and really made him a member of the other race. This does not imply that to be a negro is something to be ashamed of, but it is a fact that to be black means frequent humiliations for anybody sensitive enough to feel the drawing of distinctions against himself, and that it also means the closing of numberless doors, the withholding of numberless opportunities. And yet it is also a fact that the negro in what may be called a natural condition feels the instinctive repugnance for those with complexions unlike his own that is felt by every man for other men widely dissimilar to himself. Stanley noticed this peculiarity on his trip down the Congo, and he confessed that when, after seeing only black faces for many months, he first met a European near the coast, he, too, had something of the same displeasure at the sight af a complexion that then appeared to him to be pallid and unwholesome. He also admitted that black skins were much better adapted to the exigencies of African life and travel than white ones, and in this circumstance, subconsciously appreciated, he found the explanation of his new preference for the local coloring. The American negro, however, gets no advantage from his sable livery, and does gets a thousand disadvantages. It is safe to assume that he would be glad to exchange the one for the other."

What the negro ought to do is to cultivate race pride and learn that it is not altogether a man's color that makes a man, but that it is character and intelligence more than any other thing. The Indian is stuck on his color and had such a contempt for the white man that he dubbed him the "pale face." More race pride is what the negro wants to cultivate.

COMPULSORY PILOTAGE.

The fight of the commercial interests of Wilmington against compulsory pilotage as a burden upon the commerce of the port is attracting wide attention. The Manufacturers' Record, of Baltimore, editorially remarks:

"The North Carolina Pine Association will co-operate with other organizations represented at Wilmington, Newbern Charleston and other Southern ports working for the abolition of compulsory pilotage at these ports. A bill for the modification of the pilotage laws of North Carolina is before the Legislature, and commercial bodies regard existing statutes as an incubus upon trade. However necessary compulsory pilotage may have been in early days, and however necessary it may be to insure individuals of a livelihood, the advances in methods of navigation and the improvements in harbor approaches in recent years attended to reduce the necessity, and the argument about a livelihood is weakened by the situation at Wilmington, where, according to a statement by representatives of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce, that of the 38 licensed pilots, not more than 12 are actually engaged in the work, though sharing the fees. Measures for bringing pilotage laws into harmony with modern trade conditions and needs should be earnestly supported. At any rate, compulsion should be discountenanced. That smacks too much of artificial bolstering of individual interests at the expense of a community."

PUNISHING THE INFANT INDUSTRIES.

Says the Philadelphia Record:

"These be parlous days for some of the Trusts. The Beef Trust has provoked criminal prosecution on the part of the Federal Government. The Oil Trust is on the verge of special investigation by direction of Congress, and in a condition of active warfare with the State of Kansas. The Board of Trade in New York has demanded legislative investigation as to the extortions of the Telephone Trust. The Paper Trust has new tribulations and no friends. Proof has been furnished to Congress that the Steel Trust is selling armorplate and other forms of structural steel for about one-third less money to foreign shipbuilders than to the Federal Government. These be parlous days for the Trusts."

However, the trusts will manage to get along with a mere spanking, but as long as they know that the tariff wall will be kept up for their their protection their whimperings will be of short duration. What is the use to punish the Steel Trust for a deed committed by a weapon which the government itself puts into its hand in the way of a tariff that enables the steel manufacturers to do the things complained of?

OLD AGE.

Depends Not Upon Years, but Upon Vital Force.

A GREAT DISCOVERY TO WARD OFF OLD AGE.

In Wilmington lately there has been a good deal of discussion in regard to old people. Some at 50 years call themselves old, and really appear so; while others at 70 years seem active, vigorous any young.

A reporter of the STAR happened in the store of Robert R. Bellamy, our local druggist, the other evening, and this subject was brought up. Said Mr. Bellamy: "It is a fact, and we see it illustrated every day right here in Wilmington; it is not years, old age does not begin at any set time, but it is loss of vital force that makes a person old. Weakened digestion, thin blood and poor circulation soon start functional powers and vitality on the wane, and the symptoms of old age quickly appear. You know a man is as old as he feels.

"On the other hand," continued Mr. Bellamy, "that old feeling may be warded off, and I wish every person in Wilmington who feels old, whether they are so in years or not, would try the great discovery, Vinol. I know that it has vital principles which will in a natural manner strengthen digestion, assimilation and all the functional powers, send rich, red blood coursing through the veins, and give new life to every organ of the body, and this is what makes the old feel young again."

Mrs. H. W. Avery, of Norwich, N. Y., writes:

"At the age of 89 I felt the need of a tonic, something to strengthen and build me up. For a year and a half I have taken Vinol, and I have found that it brings vigor and life to the aged as nothing else will."

Mrs. Sarah J. Windom (cousin to the late United States Pres dent, Zachary Taylor,) 429 West Erie street, Chicago, who is 76 years old, says Vinol is a godsend to old people. So also does Mr. George L. Jones, Sr., of 19 Perrine Ave., Jersey City, and A. J. Baker, of 713 Locust street, Evansville, Ind.

Vinol repairs worn tissues, checks the natural decline and replaces weakness with strength. It is an ideal body builder for old folks.

We promise you that Vinol is, first of all, agreeable, because it contains no fishy oil. Second that it is a genuine cod liver medicine, containing all the medicinal curatives and strength making elements taken direct from fresh cod livers; and third, we will return your money if it does not do exactly what we claim for it. Robert R. Bellamy, Druggist.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—A woman may marry a man from pity, but she never quits him for that reason.—Dallas News.

—Rojestvensky's fleet is the most formidable killer of time in history.—Houston Chronicle.

—It is feared the Esch-Townsend rate-regulation bill will encounter a congestion of freight in the Senate yards.—Baltimore American.

—It would be a strange outcome if the labor for the projected convict run Kansas oil refinery should eventually be performed by Standard Oil statellites. — Philadelphia Record.

—If the people are ever brought face to face with the alternative of government control of industry or industrial control of the government they would undoubtedly choose the former.—Indianapolis News.

—Railroad managers seem to have been unduly alarmed over the rate bill legislation. Their attorneys in the Senate seem to be fully competent and willing to have the case quashed, or at least continued. —New York American.

—President Roosevelt has carried Missouri again. The Democratic senate of that state has just passed unanimously the Republican lower house's resolution requesting the Missouri delegation in congress to support the president's railway rate regulation programme.—New York Tribune.

—The "watch dogs" of the treasury couldn't refrain from taking advantage of an opportunity to raise the cry of poverty when the appropriation bill came up. The evident general prosperity in the state has kept them down to a large extent during the session, but it was in them and it had to come out, though this is not an election year. —Columbia Record.

BRILLIANT COURT FUNCTION.

Americans Presented to the King and Queen at Buckingham Palace.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, Feb. 17.—The first court of the year which was essentially a diplomatic function, was held in Buckingham Palace tonight. It was exceptionally brilliant. The attendance was large, with a particularly full representation of the embassies, including Ambassador and Mrs. Choate. The American presentations were Rear Admiral Chadwick, Mrs. Shaw, formerly Miss Langhorne of Virginia, a sister of Mrs. Charles Dana Gibson; Mrs. George Auden Reid of Philadelphia, Miss Barbara Spofford of New York, Miss Blanche Rumsey and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lewis of New York. The front of Queen Alexandra's gown was a blaze of jewels with a beautiful single diamond of great size in the centre of the corsage. Mrs. Shaw wore a lovely gown of cloth of silver. The Duchess of Marlborough was also a notable in cloth of gold and venetian lace, wearing the famous Vanderbilt pearls and a tiara of diamonds.

—"Yes, sir," says the ice dealer; "the price of ice will be much higher next summer. You see there has been a poor ice crop this winter. "But you deal in artificial ice," argues the patron. "Certainly, I have an artificial excuse.—Judge.

Poisons in Food.

Perhaps you don't realize that many pain poisons originate in your food, but some day you may feel a twinge of dyspepsia that will convince you. Dr. King's New Life Pills are guaranteed to cure all sickness due to poisons of undigested food, or money back. Only 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. Try them. †

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Elder Isaac Jones will preach at 11 A. M. to-day at the Primitive Baptist church, Castle between Fifth and Sixth streets.

Brooklyn Baptist church, Rev. J. A. McKaughan, pastor: Services to-day at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school at 3:30 P. M. The public cordially invited.

Elder C. C. Morris, of Mount Olive, N. C., will preach at the Second Advent Church to-day at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. The public is cordially invited to attend both services.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Odd Fellows' building, second floor: Services at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Subject of Lesson Sermon: "Christ Jesus." All are invited.

At Grace Church this morning the topic of the sermon will be "A Monument Built for Love of Christ." The topic at 8:30 P M will be specially interesting to men. "The Problem of Wealth—Its Good and Its Bad Side."

Sunday Services at Fifth Street Methodist Church, Rev A McCullen, pastor: Sermon at 11 A M; Subject: "The Great Thinker and His Thoughts." At 7.30 P M; Subject: "The Origin of Man." A cordial welcome for all.

St. Paul's Episcopal church, corner Fourth and Orange streets, Rev. A. W. Seabrease, rector. Morning prayer and sermon at 11 A. M. Evening prayer and sermon at 8 P. M. Sunday School at 3:30 P. M. Seats free. Strangers cordially invited.

Southside Baptist church, corner Fifth and Wooster streets, Rev. W. H. Davis, pastor. Services at 11 A.M. and 7:30 P.M. Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 8 o'clock. Sunday School teachers' meeting Tuesday night at 7.30 o'clock.

St. Paul's Lutheran church, corner of Sixth and Market streets, Rev. W. A. Snyder, pastor: Septuagesima Sunday. English service, 11 A. M. Vesper service, 7:30 P. M. Sunday school, 3:30 P. M. A cordial welcome to all.

St. Matthew's English Lutheran church, North Fourth street, Rev. C. W. Kegley, pastor: Sunday School at 10 A. M. Preaching at 11 A. M. Vesper services at 7:30 P. M. Young people Society, Wednesday, at 8 P. M. Every person welcome.

St. John's church, corner of Third and Red Cross streets, Rev. J. Carmichael, rector: Septuagesima Sunday. Morning Prayer and sermon at 11 A. M. Sunday School at 4 P. M. The funeral of the late Mr. Williams Cutts, of Rocky Mount, will be conducted from this church at 3.30 P. M.

There will be special services at St. Stephen's A. M. E. church to-day. The Rev. L. St. Clare, of Cape Town, Africa, will preach at 1:30 A. M. Aside from running a Mission School in Africa for the industrial training of the native youths, the Rev. St. Clare has about travelled the world over gathering general information. He is just from the great Welsh Revival. It will profit you to hear him. Rev. St. Clare will also lecture at St. Stephen's on Wednesday evening, Feb. 22nd, at 7:30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited. Allen's Day will be observed this evening at 7:30 o'clock. We will be glad to have you with us during the day.

TWINKLINGS.

— "I don't see how Skinner gets along." "Why?" "Why, he does not work much." "No not much, but many."—Philadelpher Public Ledger.

—"The average duration of human life is becoming greater." "Maybe so," answered the pessimist. "But wait till automobiles get a little cheaper."—Washington Star.

— Nell: Somebody told me today that I was handsome. Belle—When was that? Nell—To-day. Bell—No; I mean when were you handsome?—Philadelphia Leader.

— Mr. Stoplate—Miss Clara, this has been one of the happiest days of my life! Clara Bytum (looking at the clock)—Do you refer to—er—Monday or Tuesday?—Cleveland Leader.

— Henrietta—Do you think Dolly Perkins is prettier than I? Henry—Of course I do; but I wouldn't tell you so for worlds. Henrietta—Henry, you are a darling.—Boston Transcript.

— Little Willie—I say, pa, what is an empty title? Pa—An empty title, my son, is your mother's way of referring to me as the head of the house when there are visitors present.—Glasgow Evening Times.

— Miss Fancier—A pure-blooded terrier like Buttons is about as costly a dog as there is, Jack. Her Escort—No, there is one that is much more expensive; the Wall Street Pointer that a friend gives you.—Puck.

— Mr. Newlytied—What did you do with that $80 I gave you yesterday? Mrs. Newlytied—Why, I spent part of it for a birthday present for you, and the rest I put into this hat. Isn't it a beauty for only twenty-nine ninety five, dear?—Judge.

— Dr William Sharswood, aged 75 years, at one time a man of brilliant intellect, was struck and fatally injured Friday afternoon by the incoming passenger train arriving at Winston-Salem from North Wilkesboro. The engineer says that Dr. Sharswood was lying on the guard rail of the trestle across Little Yadkin river, two miles west of Donnaha. Dr. Sharswood was a native of Philadelphia, and is said to have been a nephew of the late Chief Justice Sharswood, an eminent jurist and author. He came to North Carolina 25 years ago. He was rather eccentric, and could not be induced to relate his personal history further than that he came from a prominent family, and that he had well-to do relatives in Pennsylvania. For several years he edited with ability a newspaper in Stokes county, since then he has been living alone in a small cabin in Surry county. Recently Dr. Sharswood announced that he contemplated the establishment of a North Carolina immigration office in Philadelphia. He has also been preparing for publication a work, entitled "Facts Worth Knowing About North Carolina." The railroad people refuse to believe that Dr. Sharswood laid down on the trestle with suicidal intent. The conductor expressed the opinion that the aged man thought the train would not strike him. He was carrying a bundle of newspapers and other periodicals of late date.

Jenetta's Fortune

[Original.]

In a shabbily furnished parlor sat Jenetta Macomber, aged nineteen, and her lover, Leon Wynne, ten years her senior.

"When you went to the lawyer who advertised for you, what did he say?"

"He asked me if I was Jenetta Macomber. I told him yes. Did my father go away when I was a baby? Yes. My mother's name? Caroline Swann. Then he told me that a fortune awaited me in California."

Leon shook his head. "There's some game in the wind," he said. "Well, good night. I'll see you before you go."

The next day Leon Wynne called upon Martin Cahoon, the lawyer who had advertised for Jenetta. He found a shrewd looking man, indeed one whom Leon saw at a glance would have no mercy in money matters.

"I have noticed," said the young man, "that you have advertised for Jenetta Macomber, sole heir to the estate of Andrew Macomber."

"I have," said the lawyer, bringing a pair of piercing eyes to bear on Leon.

"I am Andrew Macomber's only child. This Jenetta Macomber comes from another branch of the family. She is my cousin."

"Can you substantiate that?"

"I can."

Cahoon looked incredulous.

"See here," said Leon. "There's no use in you and me trying to fool each other. This girl is under my influence, and I can do what I like with her. You evidently know something about this fortune, if it exists, and I need your services. I have no money to prosecute the claim, either for expenses or court or lawyer's fees. What do you say to taking my case on shares? I'll give you half."

There was a look of cunning in the lawyer's eyes as he replied:

"If you are the sole heir and can establish the fact, of course I shall be happy to serve you."

"Very well. I will show you that I can do what I say. I'll see you tomorrow."

Leon went directly to Jenetta and told her the whole story. Then he drew up a paper confirming his claim to the property, and she signed it. The next day Leon took the paper to the lawyer. Cahoon looked at it, astonished. Then a crafty smile passed over his face.

"Well," said the client, "are you satisfied that you can trust me?"

"It's risky," replied the lawyer.

"Not half the risk of trying to work it through the girl, especially as I'm on to your game."

There was a good deal of sparring, at the end of which Leon left the office commissioned to go to Rio de Janeiro to endeavor to get possession of the fortune left by Andrew Macomber. It was plain that Cahoon had intended to send Jenetta to California to get her out of the way while he was working a scheme to secure possession of her inheritance in her name. This bit of luck in her relinquishment of her claim in favor of Leon Wynne put a new face on the matter and rendered the job far easier. Leon signed a paper agreeing, in lieu of advanced expenses, counsel fees, etc., to give Cahoon one-half the estate when obtained. When he left the office it was with a check for $500 with which to pay his way and living for a time at Rio. He went immediately to Jenetta.

"We must be married at once," he said, "and secretly."

"Why so?" she asked, astonished.

"Your father, so Cahoon says, has really died in Rio possessed of a fortune, and you are the only heir."

"In Rio?"

"Yes. Using the paper I asked you to sign, I have succeeded in unearthing the truth. I have agreed to give Cahoon one-half of the fortune if I get it. But, you see, sweetheart, I don't want it. It would be better for us to get it in your name and without this tremendous inheritance tax Cahoon has levied on me."

"But why are we to be married in such a hurry?"

"I have agreed to go at once and collect your fortune. I prefer to have your company, especially as you are the legal heir. As to the secrecy, notwithstanding that I hold the winning cards I don't dare to let Cahoon know that I have duped him. There's no knowing how he might trick us yet."

"When does the steamer leave?"

"In an hour. I may be watched by Cahoon or his spies to see if I sail on her, and I must not disappoint them, nor must it be known that you go with me. Once out on the ocean it will make no difference, but you must go to the ship without me, and it would be safer to go disguised. On second thought it may be dangerous for us to attempt a marriage. We'd better be married aboard the ship."

"But supposing there is no clergyman."

"In that case we'll have to wait till we reach Rio."

Just before the steamer sailed Leon Wynne went aboard. He had been preceded by an old woman whom he kept in sight till the ship moved off. Among the faces on the dock Leon recognized Cahoon. Taking a pair of green spectacles and a wig from the old woman beside him, Leon revealed a young girl's face.

"Mr. Cahoon," he called, "let me introduce Miss Macomber."

The next moment Cahoon had disappeared in the crowd.

Fortunately the runaways found a clergyman on board to tie the knot, and on reaching Rio they found the story of the fortune to be correct and in due time secured it. When they returned Cahoon had removed his law offices to some place unknown.

CHARLOTTE ATWOOD BARBOUR.

"Silk" That Is Really Tin.

Of course British critics say that the practice of adulterating silk with tin originated in Germany. At any rate, it is common enough now.

All silk is mixed with more or less foreign matter to give it weight and stability. Vegetable substances were formerly used for the purpose. In dyeing silk the necessary boiling reduces its weight about one-fourth, taking out the natural gummy substances. The weight is sometimes restored with tannic acid. Tin is more common—most of all in cheap black silks.

Very soft "wash" silks are apt to be pure. Burn a scrap, and nothing remains but ash. A tin weighted scrap when carefully burned leaves a residuum like excessively fine wire gauze. —New York World.

The Derivation of Gibraltar.

In 711 A. D. the Arabs crossed the narrow strait of Gibraltar and established themselves around the famous rock whose name is derived from their leader. Field Marshal Tarik was one of the leaders of the Arab invasion of Spain. Gebel is an Arabic word meaning mountain. The great rock, which was by far the most conspicuous object along the shores of the strait, was accordingly named after Tarik, Gebel el Tarik, or the mountain of Tarik. It is easy to see how this name became changed into its present form, Gibraltar.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

(Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, February 18.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Market firm at $2.45 bid per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.60 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $2.80 per barrel for hard, $3.70 for dip.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine nothing doing; rosin nothing doing; tar firm at $1.40; crude turpentine firm at $2.25@4.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	1
Rosin	5
Tar	32
Crude turpentine	8

Receipts same day last year—60 casks spirits turpentine, 847 barrels rosin, 159 barrels tar, 33 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market steady at 7.50c for middling.

Same day last year, market dull at 13c for middling.

Receipts—511 bales; same day last year, 12.

(Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.)

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 95c; extra prime, $1.00; fancy, $1.10, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 85c; extra prime, 90c; fancy, 95c. Spanish, 85@90c.

CORN—Firm; 60@65c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 14@15c per pound; shoulders, 11c; sides, dull, 10@11c.

EGGS—Dull at 20@22c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 15@35c; springs, 12½@15c.

TURKEYS—Dull at 12½c for live; 16½c for dressed.

BEESWAX—Firm at 26@27c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6c per pound.

PORK—Firm at 7@8c net.

PEAS—White, $1.75@1.85; clay, $1.3 @1.35.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 60@75c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Dull at 2@3½c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Money on call was nominal; no loans; time loans steady; sixty days 3 per cent; ninety days 3 per cent; six months 3½@3¾ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3½@4½ per cent. Sterling exchange was quoted steady, with actual business in bankers' bills 487.55@487.60 for demand and at 485.30@485.35 for sixty day bills. Posted rates were 486 and 488½. Commercial bills 484¾@485½. Bar silver 61. Mexican dollars 47½. U. S. refunding 2's, reg'd, 104¾; do. coupon, 104¾; U. S. 3's, registered, 108¾; do. coupon, 108¾; U. S. 4's, new, registered, 131½; U. S. 4's, new, coupon, 131½; U. S. 4's, old; registered, 105¾; do. coupon, 105¾. American Tobacco 4's cert., 75¾; American Tobacco 6's cert., 116¾; Atlantic Coast Line 4's, 103¾; Louisville & Nashville, unified 4's, 103; Seaboard Air Line 4's 90; Southern Railway 5's, 119¾. Stocks: Atlantic Coast Line 131; Baltimore & Ohio preferred 97; Chesapeake & Ohio 50¾; Louisville & Nashville 137½; Manhattan L 173; New York Central 147½; Reading 94½; do. 1st pref'd, 93¾; do. 2nd pref'd 90; Southern Railway 34½; do. pref'd 97¾; Amalgamated Copper 74; People's Gas 106½; Tennessee Coal and Iron 81; U. S. Leather 12¾; U. S. Leather preferred, 105½; Western Union 93¾; U. S. Steel 31½; do. preferred 94¾; Mexican Central 22½; Virginia-Carolina Chemical, 38½; sales — shares; do. preferred, 109¼; sales — shares. Standard Oil 630.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 18.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 17¾ bid; do. preferred, 38¼ bid.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Rosin steady. Strained, common to good, $3 85. Spirits turpentines steady at 54¾@55c.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 18—Spirits turpentine and rosin—nothing doing.

SAVANNAH, Feb. 18.—Spirits turpentine 53c, nothing doing; receipts 119 casks; no sales; shipments 579 casks. Rosin firm; receipts 360 barrels; sales 1,029 barrels; shipments 942 barrels: A, B, C, $2 65; D, $2 70; E, $2 75; F, $2 85; G, $2 90; H $3 25; I, $3 50; K, $4 05; M, $4 50; N, $4 75; W G, $5 00; W W $5 15.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—The cotton market opened firm at an advance of eight to eleven points in response to higher cables. At first certain local bears seemed to be trying to break the market, but there was continued bull support and shortly after the call another scare of March shorts sent that position up to 7 76, or a net gain of twenty-two points, while other months ranged from twelve to thirteen points. Offerings for long account increased on the advance and prices reacted a point, but the undertone continued nervous and shorts were evidently unsettled. Trading was active although largely professional.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Cotton was steady at 8 15; net receipts 131 bales; gross receipts 2,869 bales; stock 74,100 bales.

Spot cotton closed steady: middling uplands 8.15c; middling gulf 8.40c; sales 411 bales.

Futures opened firm: February —, March 7.65, April —, May 7.56, June —, July 7.61, August 7.64, September 7.65 bid, October 7.68, November 7.70 bid, December 7.72 bid.

Futures market closed firm: February 7.83, March 7.84, April 7.68, May 7.67, June 7.68, July 7.70, August 7.73, September 7.74, October 7.76, November 7.76, December 7.77.

Total to day, at all seaports—Net receipts 20,993 bales; exports to Great Britain 5,500 bales; exports to France — bales; exports to the Continent 34 239 bales; exports to Japan 9,127 bales; exports to Mexico — bales; stock 690,493 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 20,993 bales; exports to Great Britain 5,500 bales; exports to France — bales; exports to Continent 34,239 bales; exports to Japan 9,127 bales; exports to Mexico — bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 6,899,723 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,374,010 bales; exports to France 588,385 bales; exports to the Continent 2,145,316 bales; exports to Japan 107,350 bales; exports to Mexico 31,544 bales.

Feb. 18.—Galveston, firm at 7 13-16, net receipts 3,933 bales; Norfolk, steady at 7¾c, net receipts 792 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 8c, net receipts — bales; Boston, steady at 7.90c, net receipts 49 bales; Wilmington, steady at 7½c, net receipts 511 bales; Philadelphia, steady at 8.40c, net receipts 7 bales; Savannah, steady at 7¾c, net receipts 1,886 bales; New Orleans, firm at 7¾, net receipts 4,354 bales; Mobile, firm at 7½c, net receipts 216 bales; Memphis, steady at 7¾c, net receipts 180 bales; Augusta, firm at 7¾c, net receipts 591 bales; Charleston, quiet, at 7¾, net receipts 104 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Flour was firm but dull. Rye flour steady; fair to good $4 35@4 70; choice to fancy $4 75@4 95. Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red $1 24 f. o. b. afloat. Options closed partly ¼c net net higher; May closed $1 17¾c; July closed $1 03¾; September closed 95c. Corn—Spot steady; No. 2 56c at elevator. Options closed ¼@⅜c net higher: May closed 51¾c; July closed 52¾c. Oats—Spot quiet; mixed, 36@39 lbs., 37@38c. Butter strong; creamery, common to extra 37@54c. Cheese—Market strong; State, small colored and white 9¾@13¾c. Eggs strong; nearby selected 29; Southern 29@35c. Peanuts firm; fancy hand-picked 5¼@5½c; other domestic grades 3¾@5¾. Potatoes quiet; Long Island, in bulk, per 180 lbs, $1 50@2 00; State and Western $1 25@1 40; Jersey sweets $2 00@4 50. Cabbages quiet; flat Dutch, per 100, $3 00@3 00. Freights to Liverpool—Cotton, 13@14. Sugar—Raw firm; fair refining 4 7 16@4¾c; centrifugal, 96 test 4 15 16@5c; molasses sugar 4 3-16@4¼c; refined firm. Lard barely steady; Western steam $7 20; refined dull; continent $7 25; compound 4¾@5c. Tallow steady; city ($3 per package) 4¼; country (package free) 4¾@4¾c; Molasses steady; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice 29@31c. Rice firm. Pork quiet; family $14 50@15 00; short clear $15 00@15 50; mess $13 25@13 75. Cotton seed oil was somewhat irregular but in the main steady, at quotations: Prime crude, f. o. b. mills 18¾@19c; prime summer yellow 36@36½c; off summer yellow nominal; prime white 35@36½c; prime winter yellow 29@30c.

CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—Heavy liquidation caused a fresh break of 1½c in the price of May wheat to-day. Part of the loss was later regained, but the market closed weak with May off ½ to ⅝c; July is down ½@⅝. Oats are off ¼ to ⅜. Provisions are practically unchanged.

CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—Cash prices: Flour—Market closed steady at quotations: winter patents $5 10@5 20; straights $4 80@5 00; spring patents $5 00@5 40. Wheat—No. 2 spring $1 15@1 20; No. 3 do. $1 08@1 18; No. 2 red $1 18¾@1 20¾. Corn—No. 2 44½c; No. 2 yellow 44¾c. Oats—No. 2 30½c; No. 2 white, 33¾@33¾; No. 3 white 31¾@33¾. Rye—No. 2 75@77. Mess pork, per bbl, $12 65@12 70. Lard, per 100 lbs, $6 72@6 75. Short rib sides, loose, $6 62@6 75. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, no report. Short clear sides, boxed, $6 75@6 87. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 23.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 3 May $1 19¾, 1 19¾, 1 19¾, 1 18¾, 1 19¾@1 19¾; July $1 01¾@1 01¾, 1 01¾, 1 01¾, 1 01¾; September 93¾@93¾, 93¾, 93¾, 93¾c. Corn—February —, —, —, 43¾; May 45¾@46¾, 45¾@46¾, 45¾@46¾, 45¾, July 47@47¾, 47¾@47¾, 46¾, 47¼47¾c. Oats—February —, —, —, 30¾@30¾c; May 30¾@31, 31, 30¾@30¾, 30¾@30¾c; July 30¾, 30¾, 30¾@30¾, 30¾@30¾c. Mess pork, per bbl—February —, —, —, $13 65; May $13 85, 13 85, 13 82, 13 85; July $13 97, 13 97, 13 95, 13 95. Lard, per 100 lb—February —, —, —, $6 79. May $6 92, 6 92, 6 90, 6 92; July, $7 02, 7 05 7 02, 7 02. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—February —, — —, $6 65; May $6 82 6 85, 6 82, 6 85; July $6 97, 6 97, 6 97 6 97.

NEW YORK COFFEE FUTURES

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Coffee—Spot Rio quiet; No. 7 invoice 8¼c; mild quiet. Futures were steady and 5@10 points higher.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 18.—Cotton: Spot, in fair demand, with prices six points higher; American middling fair 4.75d; good middling 4 41d; middling 4 31d; low middling 4 17d; good ordinary 4.03d; ordinary 3.87d. The sales of the day were 8,000 bales, of which 500 bales were for speculation and export and included 7,300 bales American. Receipts 6,000 bales, including 5,900 bales American.

Futures opened barely steady and closed very steady; American middling (g o c): February 4.13d; February and March 4.13d; March and April 4.14d; April and May 4.15d; May and June 4.15d; June and July 4.17d; July and August 4.17d; August and September 4.18d; September and October 4.18d; October and November 4.18d; November and December 4.19d.

MARINE.

ARRIVED.

Norwegian barque Turiat, 733 tons, Olafsen, Cape Town, South Africa, Heide & Co.

CLEARED.

Clyde steamer Navahoe, Bunnell, New York, H G Smallbones.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port of Wilmington, N. C., February 19.

STEAMERS.

Teesdale, (Br) 1,560 tons, Edwards, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

SCHOONERS.

Clarence A Sheffner, (Br) 158 tons, Johnson, C D Mafflit.

Annie Ainslie, 350 tons, Strout, to master.

M C Haskell, 299 tons, Rowe, C D Mafflit.

Elizabeth T Doyle, 664 tons, Stevens, C D Mafflit.

BARQUES.

Turiat, (Nor) 733 tons, Olafsen, Heide & Co.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

C. C. Railroad—7 barrels tar.

W. & W. Railroad—189 bales cotton.

W. C. & A. Railroad—321 bales cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine, 5 barrels rosin, 25 barrels tar, 8 barrels crude turpentine.

Schooner H. & V. Royal, 1 bale cotton.

Total—511 bales cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine, 5 barrels rosin, 33 barrels tar, 8 barrels crude turpentine.

Fancy Florida Oranges

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THE SIWASA

15, 20, 25 and 30 Cts

PER DOZEN.

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Wilmington Has Found It Hard to Shake Off.

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Doan's Ointment relieves and cures.

All Itchiness of the skin.

Wilmington people endorse this statement:

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Vote, Vote, Vote, Vote.

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TO USE

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BECAUSE
This is no fancy brand.
It is the ONLY natural manure obtainable.
It is SOLID plant food and humus. Each ton has OVER 600 LBS. of actual Potash, Ammonia and Phosphoric Acid. Each ton contains about 400 LBS. OF LIME.
It contains no "filler."
It recedes the land and does not BAKE it.
It is CHEAPER than manufactured fertilizers.
INQUIRE of your dealer.

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LET US FIND OUT FOR YOU.

We have just secured the services of the only first class boiler maker in the city and we are fully prepared to handle all kinds of boiler work. No job too large. Estimates and bids submitted free of charge.

Yours for business.

Wilmington Iron Works.

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The Little Gibraltar.

Capital and Surplus	$ 100,000
Assets	1,100,000
Market Value of Stock	600

(Higher than stock in any N. C. Bank.)

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.

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who smokes gets the very best cigar for the money he can afford to pay. We're not all millionaires; but almost every man can pay at least 5 cents for a cigar, The best smoke in cigar form at that price is the Norma Martinez. Many people know that. Why don't you? One Martinez will prove a whole lot.

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Butter you know and so does your neighbor.
Flour, "Dainty," it makes the Cake.
Rice, it is all head.
Sugar, of course the sweetest.
Lard, the pure kettle rendered.
Meal, Virginia Dunlap Water Ground.
The balance will rank way up.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

—Dallas, county site of Gaston, is to install an electric lighting plant.

Durham Herald: The Legislature is giving the Morally Stunted a mighty poor run for the money.

— Carthage Blade: The chances are that Henry Berry Lowry would not "die in peace," even if he was permitted to come back home. There is no rest for the wicked. But they say he is already dead.

—Friday afternoon in Cabarrus county, Mr. Manuel McWhirter, aged 19, was killed at his father's home. An addition to the house was being raised and when he went under the house to put some props under pieces of heavy timbers the timbers fell and crushed him to death.

— Johnson Stroud, the negro who was kep in jail at Greensboro several months last year on the charge of putting poison in meal resulting in the death of his stepdaughter, but who, for want of two witnesses who had left the State, was discharged at the January term of Guilford Superior Court, died Friday morning of diabetes.

— Charlotte Observer: The Greensboro Record says a well known newspaper man engaged in reporting the doings at Raleigh, writes it that the Legislature is going to pass a law prohibiting the Morally Stunted from critising the work of the Pure in Heart, either by word of by publication in a newspaper. And The Record says this is right—that "we need more laws." So say we every one.

— Raleigh Times: That divorce discussion last night was a strenuous performance to have for its basis the court records of a lot of sorry negroes. At least 90 per cent. of the divorce cases in our State are negroes, and the sorriest ones in the country. So far as the interest of society goes it makes little difference whether they are married or divorced.

— A son of Mr. James Bennett, 9 years old, near Jewel, Stokes county, died last Sunday from an overdose of corn whiskey. The particulars as furnished the Danbury Reporter are that the father had procured a jug of whiskey, and just before dinner gave his son a drink. While Mr. Bennett was out the boy went to the jug for more, helping himself. Shortly afterwards he was found in an unconscious condition, and could not be rallied.

— The most important case tried in the Superior Court at Winston-Salem on Friday was that of Redge Dodson, charged with a crime against nature. The defendant has served one or more terms on the county roads. The evidence was against him and the jury was out only about five minutes, returning a verdict of guilty. Judge Cook sentenced Dodson to the State penitentiary for a term of ten years.

— A dispatch from Goldsboro on Friday says: The body of a dead negro was found lying beside the railroad track about a mile this side of Beston this morning by the engineer of the A. & N. C. "Shoo Fly," going east. He saw the body as the train was approaching and stopped. An examination revealed that the negro had been shot in the head. The coroner, Dr. Thos. Hill, of this city, was notified and went down to Beston this afternoon to investigate the affair.

— Governer Glenn Friday afternoon received a telegram from Senator Overman in response to his letter of yesterday asking Senators Simmons and Overman to ascertain whether legislation was pending in South Dakota to buy more North Carolina bonds from the New York bondholders in order to bring fresh suits. Senator Overman's reply is as follows: "I am assured that South Dakota will enact no legislation to further the scheme of the bondholders, but that the legislation which was the outcome of those unhappy days under which the suit was brought will be repealed." Governor Glenn expressed his pleasure at this and said it would put an end to the claims of the bondholders' attorneys that such legislation was pending.

—Washington correspondence of the Charlotte Observer, Feb. 17.—The North Carolina Senators to-day read in a morning paper here extracts from a letter which Governor Glenn is said to have addressed to them, suggesting that they inquire of South Dakota Representatives whether it was the purpose of their State to purchase additional North Carolina bonds, and, if so, that resolutions condemnatory of South Dakota be introduced in Congress The suggested inquires were made, but members of the delegation did not appear to have a very clear idea as to how they should proceed further with reference to this question, with which the Legislature must deal, and as the letter of Gov. Glenn had not arrived at a late hour this afternoon, it was decided to hold a meeting of the delegation tomorrow, when some course will be outlined. It is scarcely thought possible that the Congress could be induced, on the eve of adjournment, to turn aside from the consideration of the Swayne impeachment proceedings, railway rates and other important legislation to give attention to the internal affairs of a single state which have already been disposed of by the United States Supreme Court. It is unlikely that the delegation will take the action proposed by Governor Glenn.

Grave Trouble Foreseen.

It needs but little foresight to tell that when your stomach and liver are badly affected grave trouble is ahead, unless you take the proper medicine for your disease, as Mrs. John A. Young, of Clay, N. Y., did. She says: "I had neuralgia of the liver and stomach, my heart was weakened and I could not eat. I was very bad for a long time, but in Electric Bitters I found just what I needed, for they quickly relieved and cured me." Its the best medicine for weak women. Sold under guarantee by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist, at 50c a bottle.

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OF THE CONDITION OF THE ATLANTIC

National Bank, at Wilmington, N. C., at the close of business, January 11th, 1904.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$ 713 957 56
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		18.1d 21
U. S. bonds to secure circulation		125 000 00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. deposits		104,8.0 00
Bonds, securities, etc.		30,850 00
Banking houses, furniture, and fixtures		20,000 00
Other real estate owned		10 000 00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents		169 947 24
Due from State Banks and Bankers		178 873 98
Due from approved reserve agents		75 6 1 98
Checks and other cash items		125 00
Notes of other National Banks		15,135 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents		513 93
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:		
Specie	$39 909 00	
Legal tender notes	25,215 00	64,094 60
Redemption fund with U. S Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)		3,000 00
Total		$1,562,141 33

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	$ 125,000 00
Surplus fund	125 0.0 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	23 642 98
National Bank notes outstanding	125 000 00
Due to other National Banks	58 927 94
Due to State Banks and Bankers	150,447 92
Dividends unpaid	544 00
Individual deposits subject to check	765 9.1 94
Cashier's checks outstanding	2,470 93
United States Deposits	104,800 00
Total	$1,562,641 33

State of North Carolina, county of New Hanover, ss.:

I, J. W. Yates, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. W. YATES, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of January, 1905.

W. C. ARMSTRONG, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:
GEO. R. FRENCH,
D. McEACHERN,
JNO. J. ARMSTRONG, } Directors.

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A Religion That Grows.

The idea that Mohammedanism is played out would be a dangerous one for statesmen to bank upon. It isn't. Mohammed began his career as a prophet not more than 600 years later than the beginning of the Christian era. At present he has 176,000,000 disciples, more than one-third as many as there are Christians in the world.

Nine hundred years ago there were in India no Mohammedans. Now there are 50,000,000, and they are increasing in number constantly. They are by all odds the most energetic subjects in British India.

The western wave of Mohammedanism rolled up to the farthest corner of Spain, up to the walls of Vienna, and then began to recede, but the shrinking process was accompanied by expansion elsewhere. In Africa Mohammedanism is steadily proselyting. Russia in Europe has 3,000,000 followers of the prophet, more than there are in what is called "Turkey in Europe."

Asia, however, the realm of future growth, is the Mohammedan stronghold. To less than 4,000,000 native Christians there are 109,000,000 Mohammedans.—New York World.

The Duke's "Thirteen Clock."

An ingenious timekeeping arrangement exists today which was designed by that famous Duke of Bridgewater who laced South Lancashire with canals and died a hundred years ago. The duke was a great stickler for punctuality, and he was annoyed that the workmen on his estate at Worsley did not return to work after dinner as promptly as they left off when the clock struck 12. When he remonstrated, he was told that while the workmen always heard the clock strike 12, they often failed to hear the single stroke of 1. The Duke of Bridgewater quickly found a remedy for this difficulty. He had a clock made that would strike thirteen times an hour after noon, and that clock proclaims 1 o'clock with a baker's dozen of sonorous strokes to this day. The "thirteen clock" is one of the curiosities of Worsley Hall.—Westminster Gazette.

Sex of Gems.

The Romans, following the Greek mineralogists, divided gems into males and females according to the depth or lightness of their color. These terms are thus alluded to by Theophrastus: "Both these (beryl, carbuncle, omphax, crystal and amethyst) and the sard are found on breaking open certain rocks, presenting certain differences, but agreeing in name with each other. For of the sard the transparent and blood red sort is called the female, while the less transparent and darker kind is termed the male, and the cyanus also is named one sort the male and the other the female, but the male is the deeper in color of the two." The cyanus, or cyanos, of the ancients is said, though probably incorrectly, by many modern mineralogists to be identical with our sapphire.

The Letter "M" In Mother.

It has been pointed out as a curious fact that the letter "M" in almost all known languages—English, French, Latin, Spanish, Greek, Hebrew, Chinese and the others—is to be found in the word which stands for mother or nurse. Perhaps this is owing to its representing a sound which exists in every spoken speech and has the same pronunciation in them all. It is also exceedingly easy to utter and is one of the first sounds that children make, and it therefore naturally enters into the appellation given to the nursing parent in the first cries of recognition and affection. There is no doubt at all that "ma" and the other baby names for mother originated directly from the child.

An Observing Child.

One man in New York had social aspirations which somewhat warped his admiration of his homespun father. The father actually sometimes relapses into the barbarism of eating with his knife. But the man has a little son whose eyes seek and find out the truth. The other day the little boy licked some mashed potatoes from his knife, and his mother chided him. "Sammy, dear," she said, "only stupid people eat with their knives." "How can you say that, mamma?" cried the child. "Grandpa eats with his knife. And he made all our money!"

Launched on His Literary Career.

"I understand your son has decided to go in for literature."

"Yes, and he's made a splendid start already."

"You don't say."

"Yes; he went to an auction this morning and bought a secondhand writing desk for only $4.98."—Catholic Standard and Times.

An Inviting Field.

"They say there's an island in the Pacific with 600 inhabitants where drunkenness, crime, jails, police and courts are unknown."

"Is that so? It's a wonder somebody hasn't started in to civilize it."—Brooklyn Life.

Solving a Mystery.

Little Tommy—Papa, what is a biped?

Papa—An animal with two legs. For instance, a man is a biped, my boy.

Little Tommy—Well, what's Uncle James? He's only got one leg.—Columbus Dispatch.

Better Than Detraction.

"There are worse things than egotism," says the Minnayunk philosopher. "It is better to talk yourself up than to run other people down."—Philadelphia Record.

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Hair preparations and dandruff cures, as a rule, are sticky or irritating affairs that do no earthly good. Hair, when not diseased, grows naturally, luxuriantly. Dandruff is the cause of nine-tenths of all hair trouble, and dandruff is caused by a germ. The only way to cure dandruff is to kill the germ; and, so far, the only hair preparation that will positively destroy the germ is Newbro's Herpicide—absolutely harmless, free from grease, sediment, dye matter or dangerous drugs. It allays itching instantly; makes hair glossy and soft as silk. "Destroy the cause, you remove the effect." Sold by leading druggists. Send 10c. in stamps for sample to The Herpicide Co., Detroit, Mich.

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Ladies' $8.00 Writing Desk, Now	6.19
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Suburban and City Schedule.

In Effect January 12, 1905.

Suburban Schedule (daily except Sunday.)

Leave Front and Princess	Leave the Beach
6.30 A. M.	8 00 A. M.
10 00 A. M.	12 30 P. M.
3.00 P. M.	5.15 P. M.
	Leave Wrightsville
6.10 P. M.	8.45 P. M.
7.30 " "	8.15 " "
9 00 " "	9.30 " "
10 00 " "	10 30 " "

Extra Cars on Sundays.

Note: Trains leaving Front and Princess Sts. at 6.10, 7.30, 9.00 and 10.00 P. M. will go over to Beach on request.

The 9 o'clock car comes back to The "Light house" at 4.70 P. M., thus giving one an opportunity to enjoy an oyster roast as well as visit the ocean.

CITY SCHEDULE.

Regular City Cars.

Brooklyn and Belt line cars leave Front and Princess streets every 10 minutes beginning at 7.30 A. M., daily except Sunday. Sunday at 8.30 A. M. Last Brooklyn and Belt line cars leave Front and Princess streets at 12.00 midnight.

Hospital and Cemetery Cars.
(Without change.)

Leave Front and Princess	Leave Cemetery
9.00 A. M.	9.30 A. M.
3.10 P. M.	3.30 P. M.
4.40 P. M.	5.00 P. M.

Delgado and Golf Link Car (Without change.)
Daily except Sunday

Leave Front and Princess	Leave Golf Links.
3.40 P. M.	4.00 P. M.
5.10 " "	5.30 " "

A. C. L. Depot Car (Without change).

Leave Front and Princess	Leave A. C. L. Depot
10.00 A. M.	10.10 A. M.
5.40 P. M.	6.00 P. M.

S. A. L. Car (Without change)

Leave Front and Princess	Leave S. A. L. Depot
12.25 P. M.	12.45 P. M.
3.35 P. M.	3.50 P. M.
11.15 P. M.	11.30 P. M.

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Daily except Sunday.

Leave 9th and Orange	Leave the Beach
3.00 P. M.	4.30 P. M.

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Schedule in Effect Feb. 5 1905.

EASTBOUND.

Station.	No. 3.	No. 5.
Lv Goldsboro	3 45 p m	8 00 a m
Lv L. Grange	4 16 p m	8 28 a m
Lv Kinston	4 40 p m	8 53 a m
Lv Dover	5 02 p m	9 14 a m
Lv Cove	5 16 p m	9 27 a m
Lv Tuscarora	5 26 p m	9 37 a m
Ar Newbern	5 45 p m	10 00 a m

Station	No. 7 (accom)
Lv New Bern	5 58 p m
Lv Riverdale	6 18 p m
Lv Havelock	6 34 p m
Lv Newport	6 50 p m
Ar Morehead City	7 12 p m

WESTBOUND.

Station	No. 4	No. 8 (accom)
Lv Morehead City	7 40 a m	5 30 a m
Lv Newport	8 11 a m	6 34 a m
Lv Havelock	8 27 a m	7 02 a m
Lv Riverdale	8 42 a m	7 30 a m
Ar New Bern	9 00 a m	8 05 a m

Station	No. 6
Lv. New Bern	9 15 a m
Lv Tuscarora	9 37 a m
Lv Kinston	9 49 a m
Lv Dover	10 03 a m
Lv Kinston	10 27 a m
Lv LaGrange	10 51 a m
Ar Goldsboro	11 20 a m

	6 10 p m
	6 34 p m
	6 44 p m
	6 58 p m
	7 29 p m
	7 42 p m
	8 10 p m

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NORTHBOUND.

	No 48	No 42
Lv Wilmington	9 15 a m	6 30 p m
Ar Goldsboro	12 15 p m	9 32 p m
Ar Wilson	1 15 p m	10 25 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1 55 p m	11 10 p m
Ar Norfolk	5 55 p m	
Ar Weldon	4 05 p m	1 47 a m
Ar Petersburg	5 05 p m	3 03 a m
Ar Richmond	7 45 p m	4 07 a m
Ar Washington	11 50 p m	7 54 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 43 a m	9 00 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4 25 a m	11 22 a m
Ar New York	7 30 a m	2 00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No 41	No 49
Lv New York	9 30 a m	9 25 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11 56 a m	12 01 a m
Ar Baltimore	2 07 p m	2 32 a m
Ar Washington	3 32 p m	3 45 a m
Ar Norfolk		9 00 a m
Ar Richmond	7 15 p m	8 35 a m
Ar Petersburg	8 08 p m	9 40 a m
Ar Weldon	9 01 p m	10 30 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 31 p m	1 06 p m
Ar Wilson	11 23 p m	2 00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	6 45 a m	3 15 p m
Ar Wilmington	10 10 a m	6 00 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH

SOUTHBOUND

	*Daily.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv Wilmington	6 00 a m	3 30 p m	6 50 p m
Ar Florence	9 36 a m	7 30 p m	3 35 a m
Ar Charleston	1 10 p m	11 55 p m	6 45 a m
Ar Savannah	6 45 p m	4 30 a m	9 05 a m
Ar Jacksonville		8 40 a m	1 45 p m
Ar Tampa		7 30 p m	10 25 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	* Daily.	Daily
Lv Tampa	8 40 p m	9 00 a m
Ar Jacksonville	7 35 a m	7 00 p m
Ar Savannah	1 10 p m	1 15 a m
Ar Charleston	5 14 p m	5 55 a m
Ar Florence	7 50 p m	9 05 a m
Ar Wilmington	11 05 p m	1 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD

	West Bound *Daily	East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	3 10 a m	Ar 6 40 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12 00 p m	Ar 4 45 p m
Ar Sanford	1 55 p m	Lv 3 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN

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Ar Newbern	5 40 p m	Lv 9 00 a m

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Leave Hamlet	8 50 a m	6 10 p m
" Southern Pines	9 45 a m	11 00 p m
" Raleigh	11 40 a m	1 30 a m
" Norlina	1 35 p m	3 27 a m
Arrive Portsmouth	6 30 p m	8 30 a m
Leave Richmond	4 55 p m	6 25 a m
" Washington	8 36 p m	10 10 a m
" Baltimore	11 05 p m	11 30 a m
" Philadelphia	2 35 a m	1 48 p m
Arrive New York	6 35 a m	4 15 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 81	No. 35
Leave New York	12 05 p m	9 05 p m
" Philadelphia	2 53 p m	10 13 p m
" Baltimore	5 10 p m	12 27 a m
" Washington	6 25 p m	1 40 a m
" Richmond	10 00 p m	5 10 a m
Leave Portsmouth	9 00 p m	9 25 a m
Leave Norlina	1 35 a m	1 40 p m
" Raleigh	5 35 a m	4 00 p m
" Southern Pines	6 53 a m	6 16 p m
" Hamlet	8 40 a m	7 30 p m
Arrive Wilmington	12 45 p m	11 50 p m

Between Wilmington and Atlanta
SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 41
Leave Wilmington	3 00 p m
Leave Hamlet	10 15 p m
" Athens	6 15 a m
Arrive Atlanta	3 40 a m

NORTHBOUND

	No. 38
Leave Atlanta	5 00 p m
" Athens	11 25 p m
" Hamlet	8 40 a m
Arrive Wilmington	12 45 p m

Between Wilmington and Tampa.
SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 45
Leave Wilmington	4 00 p m
Leave Hamlet	10 10 p m
" Columbia	12 25 a m
" Savannah	4 40 a m
" Jacksonville	9 40 a m
Arrive Tampa	5 45 p m

NORTHBOUND

	No. 68
Leave Tampa	8 50 a m
" Jacksonville	7 50 p m
" Savannah	12 10 p m
" Columbia	5 30 a m
" Hamlet	5 40 a m
Arrive Wilmington	12 45 p m

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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, FEB. 19.

PANAMA RAILROAD AND CANAL COMMISSIONERS.

In Addition to Their $10,000 a Year Salaries and Expenses, They Took Fees for Attending Directors' Meeting.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The following extract from the minutes of the Isthmian Canal commision of its meeting held October 11 last, explanatory of the directors' fees taken from the Panama Railroad Company by members of the Canal Commission, was laid before the House committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce at the conclusion of its hearing to-day by Chairman Hepburn, having been received by him from Commissioners Harrod and Grunsky in letters dated to-day:

"The commissioners were also informed by the chairman that at a recent conference with the President the matter of the attendance fees paid to the directors attending meetings provided by the by-laws of the Panama Railroad Company was referred to and that the President desired the commission to be informed that his order fixing the compensation of the commissioners was not intended to prevent the acceptance of such fees".

No action in the matter was taken by the committee.

The letter of Commissioner Grunsky encloses a communication from him to Vice President Drake of the railroad company of September 13 last, in which he returns "Unopened" an envelope containing his fee for the first meeting which he attended. He says he could not construe the attendance fee other than compensation and must decline to accept it.

Vice President Drake said in his testimony today that members of the canal commission had received pay for attending directors' meetings and that he would produce an itemized statement of the sums paid William Nelson Cromwell, general counsel for the Panama Railroad Company, for the past 15 years, stating that he negotiated the transfer of the stock of the company, and is now engaged in acquiring, under instructions from the Secretary of War, the outstanding stock of the company for the government.

Mr. Cromwell stated that the Panamana Railroad Company positively had no connection whatever with the trans-continental railways of this country.

Mr. Cromwell said the government dividend amounted to $334,935 on February 1, and that dividends were paid on 94 shares standing in the name of Admiral Walker and on seven standing in the name of seven other members of the Canal Commission.

Regarding the question of fees for attendance accepted by the Isthmian Canal Commissioners as directors of the Panama Railroad, Admiral Walker, chairman of the commission, today said:

"Every corporation pays attendance fees to its directors. When the members of the canal commission were made directors of the Panama Rail road Company this matter of attendance fees was taken up. Some of the commissioners thought that they were entitled to these fees and others thought not. As chairman of the commission, I went to President Roosevelt and told him that under the President's order there was difference of opinion among the members as to whether they should accept attendance fees. The President said that his fee should be taken as a matter, of course, and that the matter was too small to talk about. At the next meeting of the commission I told what the President had said. All the members of the canal commission did take fees. There have been two meeting a month. There is no law that prohibits the members of the commission from accepting such fees. The only hesitation was as to the terms of the President's order, and when he went to him on the subject he said that he had had no intension to stop these fees. One day a New York man met me, told me he owned 100 shares of the stock and wanted to know if I wanted to buy them. I consulted Secretary Taft and he said that we had better buy it, and I told him that we should pay for it at par. Secretary Taft agreed to this, favoring our purchase of the stock. I wired for the purchase, the stock was turned over to me and the treasurer of the commission. Admiral Kenny paid $10,000 for it. I gave six of the shares to the other members of the commission (that is one to each), and I had ninety-four left in my name as chairman. Then I bought an additional odd share. All this stock is held in trust for the United States. All of these shares belong to the government, and no member of the commission holds any of the stock personally or to his own profit in any way. The first dividend was recently declared, and the checks thereunder arrived for the commissioners who were here in the city. Secretary Taft said to endorse them to him as Secretary of War and that he would endorse them over to the Secretary of the Treasury. This has been done. That is all there is to it."

NEW YORK BANKS.

Statement of Clearing House Averages for the Past Week.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—The statement of averages at the clearing house banks of this city for the five days of this week shows: Loans, $1,-186,012,100; decrease, $6,094,000. Deposits, $1,192,555,900; decrease, $10,-416,400. Circulation, $42,852,100; decrease, $178,000. Legal tenders, $86,-389 600; decrease, $2,819,400. Specie, $320,953,800; decrease, $1,617,200. Reserve, $307,848,400; decrease, $4 436,-600. Reserve required, $298,138,975; decrease, $2,604,000. Surplus, $9 709 -425; decrease, $1,832,600. Ex U. S deposits, $14,878,550; decrease, $1,674,-900.

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REQUIEM MASS OVER GRAND DUKE.

Bells of Five Hundred Churches in Moscow Were Tolling Yesterday.

GRAND DUCHESS PROSTRATED

Further Details of the Assassination of Sergius—Threats Against Empress' Mother—Extraordinary Sitting of Council Summoned.

The Emperor of Russia, by a ukase issued yesterday, restored to favor in the imperial family the Grand Duke Paul Alexandrovitch who, some years ago, was degraded of rank and honors because in opposition to the will of the Emperor and the wishes of the imperial family he contracted a morganatic marriage with Madame Olga Pistolkoos.

In accordance with the decree Grand Duke Paul is re-invested with his title and military standing, and as general aide-de-camp to his majesty to attend the funeral of Grand Duke Sergius, his brother.

The body of the Grand Duke Sergius lies in the Choudoff monastery at Moscow, where a military guard keeps vigil and priests utter prayers for his soul.

The unrest is is yet prevalent within the Empire is evidenced by the fact that a district official at Igdyr was assasinated by Armenians for political reasons yesterday and that at Vagarshaped the mayor was shot and killed, while at Kishineff an attack was made by an unkown man on the prefect of police of that city.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 18.—An extraordinary sitting of the Council of the Empire has been summoned to consider the situation resulting from the assassination of Grand Duke Sergius.

The bells of Moscow's five hundred churches tolled to day, requiem masses were celebrated and before many shrines priests ceaselessly chanted prayers for the repose of the soul of murdered Grand Duke Sergius. His remains still rest in the Choudoff monastery whither they were removed yesterday. The bier is covered with flowers and surrounded by burning tapers. Two monks remain constantly at the foot of the coffin reciting prayers for the dead.

The widowed Grand Duchess Elizabeth is prostrated. She keeps to her appartments in the Little palace and was not able even to attend the requiem mass. Touching messages have been received by the Grand Duchess from Emperor Nicholas and her sister, the Empress.

It appears to be confirmed that the Grand Duke when killed was on his way to the governor general's palace on Tverskal, where he resided while governor general, for the purpose of taking a bath. The Grand Duke was a great lover of Russian baths, those he had arranged in the palace being most sumptuous. Vice Governor Sabouroff, who was preceding the Grand Duke from the Nicholas palace, noticed a crowd in Red Square and turned back to warn the Grand Duke to proceed through a side street, but it was already too late. The explosion occurred as he reached the Kremlin gate.

While the assassin was dressed as a peasant, it is evident that he belongs to a higher class. His papers were all forged and there is no clue yet to his identity. Policeman Leontieff, who was near the Nikolsky gate and who seized the assassin, says as soon as the Grand Duke's carriage drove into the senate square the murderer moved out and with unerring aim hurled the bomb directly into the carriage window. A blinding flash and a terrible explosion followed, the force of which reduced the vehicle to splinters. The air was absolutely filled with a red haze, blood being spattered to a distance of three hundred feet. The maddened, wounded horses dashed forward, dragging the coaching, Andrew, a man of gigantic stature, but they soon fell in their tracks.

An officer who witnessed the tragedy from the barracks, directed some soldiers to bring a stretcher. The officer covered the remains, of which only a leg and a portion of the body were intact, with the overcoat of one of the men. The body of Grand Duke Sergius lies in an oak coffin with silver eagles at its head and foot. It stands on a silver bier among a mass of growing palms. There are two wreaths on the casket, one from Grand Duchess Elizabeth and the other from the late Grand Duke's suite.

The coffin is half covered by a grand ducal pall of gold embroidery with borders of ermine and the grand duke's decorations are arranged on either side of the casket in order of precedence. Prayers are to be said daily by the clergy and there will be day and night watches for the dead while two officers of the Moscow garrison will stand as sentinels at the head and foot of the bier. Detachments of soldiers will maintain a continuous guard outside the monastery.

SOLEMN STATE MASS.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 18, 3:40 P. M.—A solemn state requiem mass for the repose of the soul of Grand Duke Sergius was celebrated at St. Asiash here this afternoon at which the Metropolitan of St. Petersburg officiated and the representatives of the foreign powers, the ministers and other dignitaries wese present in full uniform, but not a single member of the imperial family attended. The great square in which the imposing cathedral is situated presented a remarkable spectacle. The surrounding sidewalks were packed with people held back by a solid wall of police drawn up in lines. Inside the square one row of carriages and sleighs entered the portal. At intervals were posted mounted sentries and in each corner of the square was a squadron of Red Cossacks of the Guard.

NO OPPOSITION TO LAND CONGRESS.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 18.—According to reports in circulation, the Empress' mother has received a threatening letter, warning her that she will be the next victim. This is only one of the many rumors afloat among which is that at a meeting of the Grand Dukes last night, it was unanimously decided to withdraw all opposition to the assembling of a Zemsky Sobor and to reccommend its immediate summoning by the Emperor.

TWO ASSASSINATIONS.

TIFLIS, TRANS CAUCASIA, Feb. 18.—A district official named Gaoutieff has been assassinated at Igdyr by Armenians. The motives for the crime were political. At Vagarshaped, Trans Caucasia, the mayor has been shot and killed near his residence. The murderer disappeared.

KISHINEFF, RUSSIA, Feb. 18.—The perfect of police of Kischineff was attacked to-day by an unknown man armed with a club.

The official's assailant was arrested.

The plant of the Virginia Glass Company near Alexandria, Va., was almost totally destroyed by fire last night. The plant originally cost $75,-000. It was partially insured.

NATIONAL LAWMAKERS AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

Pension Appropriation of $138,250,000. Democrats Fight Against President's Executive Order—Swayne Trial.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The Senate today decided not to admit as testimony in the Swayne impeachment trial the statement made by Judge Swayne before the House committee. This decision was reached in a secret session and after it had been arrived at the court adjourned until 2 o'clock Monday in order to permit the Senate to pay tribute to the memory of the late Senator Quay to which ceremony the greater part of the day was devoted. During the early part of the session the request of the House for a conference on the Statehood bill was received and a sharp debate ensued over an effort to have the conference committee appointed immediately. The opponents of the joint Statehood bill opposed this proceeding and they succeeded in securing a postponement until Monday.

Mr. Foraker requested postponement until Monday and when Mr. Beveridge objected the Ohio Senator said with visible feeling: "If compelled to consider now we will consider it and keep on considering it, asking no favor and granting none."

It was evident from the utterances which came from other opponents of joint statehood that they were in hearty accord. "That's what we'll do," said Mr. Teller. "Lets go on with the fight," echoed Mr. Blackburn.

Mr. Beveridge then replied, saying his only object had been to get the two Houses closer together.

Among the speakers on the Quay eulogies were Messrs. Cockrell, Daniel, Morgan and McLaurin.

The Senate adjourned until Monday.

IN THE HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11—The House to-day passed the pension approori ation bill, carrying $138,250,100. The minority, led by Mr. Underwood, made an ineffectual effort to reduce the aggregate of the appropriation so as to exclude pensions allowed under "Order Number 78," which it stated would involve about $4,500,000. It was contended that the order was without authority of law.

Under a special rule the House to-day passed about 35 private bills. Adjournment was taken until noon tomorrow, when memorial services in honor of the late Senator Quay, of Pennsylvania, will be held.

Mr. Underwood, of Alabama, elaborated the views of the minority of the pension committee and gave notice that he would move to strike from the bill $4,500, the amount which he said was estimated as required to pay pensions under what is known as order No. 78. He contended that this order was not authorized by law and objected to paying pensions under it. He said that the people who paid one-third the taxes of the country were not opposing the paying of pensions, but demanded that pensions be paid under the law and not in violation of it.

Mr. Grosvenor, of Ohio, defended order No. 78, saying it was in the line of law and in the line of justice. The President, he said, had taken a satisfactory, wise and intelligent view of the whole matter. Mr. Grosvenor reviewed the course of Judge Parker in the late campaign, evoking laughter on the Republican side when he said it was not his purpose to criticise him as he had done a great service to the country which every Republican could appreciate. Mr. Grosvenor commented on the attitude of the Democratic candidate for President and regretted his inability to put on canvass a picture of the visages of the Democrats when they read Mr. Parker's reply, on being asked if he would revoke order No. 78 if elected President.

Mr. Underwood said if the majority wanted to give a service pension they should do it by law. He declared that they should not have the President do by unwarranted order what they do not dare do by law.

Mr. Benton, of Missouri, said there would not have been 25 votes against a service pension bill last year, but when it was found that it would require an appropriation of $38 000,000, the majority thought it would not be wise to increase appropriations to that extent. Order number 78 followed. He said the majority should tell the old soldiers that they did not pass a service pension bill because they did not want to pay out $38,-000,000.

Mr. Underwood sought to amend the bill by reducing the appropriation to $132,800,000, but the amendment was rejected.

Mr. Robinson, of Indiana, offered as an amendment a section providing a service pension of $12 a month for all soldiers who served 90 days.

Mr. Grosvenor characterized the amendment as buncombe.

The amendment was ruled out on a point of order. The bill then passed without amendment.

SOUTH DAKOTA BONDS.

Assurance Given That Sister State Has No Purpose to Flim-Flam.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Members of the North Carolina delegation in Congress to-day conferred with a number of members of South Dakota as to a controversy between the States regarding the recovery on North Carolina bonds. Senators Simmons and Overman were informed by Senators Gamble and Yltiredge that South Dakota has no intention of purchasing any addition al North Carolina bonds, as Governor Glenn of that State seemed to apprehend in a letter to members of the delegation.

In explantion of the attitude of South Dakota toward a sister state in becoming a creditor through the purchase of North Carolina is repudiated bonds, it was said to day that the action in buying the bonds was taken by the South Dakota Legislature several years ago. The South Dakota Senators declared that their State would not use the proceeds of the sale of the bonds they now hold in order to purchase additional bonds. This assurance has been telegraphed by Senator Simmons to Governor Glenn.

NORFOLK TERMINAL RAILWAYS.

Litigation Over Properties in the Hands of Federal Receiver.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., Feb. 18.—The bondholders of the Bay Shore Terminal Electric properties here, now in the hands of H. L. Page, H. W. Leigh and J. A. G. Croner, as Federal court receivers, have voted to sustain the latter in the fight being made by W. L. Wright, J. Frederick Snyder and other Philadelphia capitalists, holding $300,000 worth of Bay Shore receivers' certificates, to have these receivers displaced by United States Judge Waddill. The Philadelphia interests offer to take up additional receivers' certificates to the extent of $75,000 for the payment of claims against the present receivers, provided the court agrees to remove the latter and appoint others. The litigation involves $500,000.

TO END THE WAR IS RUSSIA'S HOPE.

Empire Hard Pressed With Difficulties of Fighting Japan and Affairs at Home.

NO OVERTURES FROM JAPAN.

Japanese Are Pushing War and Leaving It to Russia to Sue for Peace—They Are Cutting Gen. Kuropatkin's Communications.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

ST. PETERBURG, Feb. 18.—1:30 P. M. In diplomatic circles the opinion is quite generally expressed that yesterday's tragedy may be followed by the decision of the goverment to conclude maintained by the government there peace. For sometimes despite the official attitude has been a growing appreciation of the difficulties of prosecuting the war in the midst of increasing complication at home and as announced by the Associated Press yesterday the matter actually the subject of formal consideration by the emperor and his ministers February 16.

General Gripenberg's arrival, followed by the murder of Grand Duke Sergius, in the opinion of some of the ablest diplomats, are not unlikely to lead the Emperor definitely to decide upon peace. In this connection the war office is considerably alarmed by the new danger threatening the Manchurian army from the systematic attempts making by Japanese and Chinese bandits to cut the line of communications back of the army. According to reports about 10,000 men split up into bands of several hundred each are operating from Mongolia and are striking at the railroad. A Russian detachment following up the Japanese band which cut the road below Harbin, fell into an ambuscade of two regularly organized regiments and was almost cut to pieces, losing half of its men and one gun. The fear is that if the bands move further north or west they might interrupt communication to such an exent as to make it impossible to supply the army. This danger has already compelled the triple reinforcement of the railroad guards below Harbin.

JAPAN HAS MADE NO OVERTURES.

TOKIO, Feb. 18, 6 P. M.—The foreign office pronounces as unfounded the St. Petersburg report that Japan has unofficially informed Russia of the terms of peace she would be willing to accept.

FIGHTING AT MUKDEN.

MUKDEN, Feb. 18.—Large bodies of Japanese cavalry are reported to be moving toward Gouzhou pass from Mongolia.

TOKIO, Feb. 18, 10 A. M.—According to reports from the Shakke river the Russians are showing increased activity on the banks of the river and are extending and strengthening their right. They also seem to be concentrating a heavy force on their left in front of General Kuroki. Fusdun is the base of the late operations, and it is estimated that the Russians there number six divisions. The impression exists that General Kuropatkin is preparing to assume the aggressive. The weather is still unfavorable, but the excessive cold will soon be over.

The Russians shelled portions of Field Marshal Oyama's center and left on Thursday, February 16th. On Friday the Russian cavalry, in returning from a recent attack upon Field Marshal Oyama's left, hailed at Liuchingfang.

MRS CHADWICK CRIED.

Man Whom She Disliked Was Appointed Trustee by Her Creditors.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 18.—Attorney Nathan Loeser, who acted as receiver in the Chadwick bankruptcy case, was elected trustee by the creditors to-day.

As soon as the result of the election was announced by Referee Remington Mrs. Chadwick, who was present in court, burst into tears and had to be comforted by one of her attorneys, Sheldom Q. Kerrubh. Mrs. Chadwick was opposed to the election of Mr. Loeser.

Mrs. Chadwick was as smiling and talkative to-day in the referee's court as she was yesterday. She took a hand at examining the claims as heartily as her attorneys. One bill would be scrutinized carefully and corrections suggested. Another would evidently recall a memory and this would be greeted with a laugh. Others would only elicit a sangfroid demeaner, their accuracy being admitted by the wave of her hand. Many times during the hearing the woman would appear to be weak and she would go into Mr Remington's private office for a time. She also held several secret conferences with her attorneys. When the matter of the "Carnegie" note was broached some questions were asked as to its value, but upon advice of her counsel, she refused to answer any question. "We refuse to answer for many reasons," Attorney Kerrubh stated "for some reasons that are not yet dreamed of by the court."

A Cleveland, Ohio, paper will say to-morrow: "One million dollars is the amount believed to be securely hidden by Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick. Collector of Customs Leach has so minutely traced the operations of this woman during the last four years that he is in a position to know that the item saved from her many financial transactions is one million dollars in cold cash. In addition to this sum, the woman has just as safely placed, $150,000 worth of jewels."

YOUNG ARROWOOD'S CASE.

He Has Been Sent to Guantanamo as a Deserter.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Midship man Milton W. Arrowood, of Burlington, N. C., now a prisoner on board the receiving ship Hancock at the navy yard, New York, will be sent to the naval station at Guantanamo, Cuba, on the first naval vessel bound to that port, and turned over to the commandant for "such action as he deems proper." This is the first case where a midshipman has been called to face trial on the charge of desertion. It is said the young officer bases his desire to leave the service on the alleged ground that he could not be a Christian gentleman and officer of the navy at the same time. He will be tried on the general charge of desertion and on the special charge of conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline and reflecting upon the moral character of his associates in the service.

The funeral of Gen. Lew Wallace at Crawfordsville, Ind., yesterday afternoon was private. In accordance with his expressed wishes. Only the family and a few intimate friends attended.

See the up-to-date line of Silver at Blesinger's.

WARM WIRELETS.

Nan Patterson, the former show girl who is in the Tombs awaiting trial on a charge of murdering Cesaar Young, is reported seriously ill with tonsilitis. Miss Patterson has suffered several similar attacks during her imprisonment.

News reached Raleigh last night in a letter to Representative C. W. Mitchell, of Bertie, that Lewiston, Bertie county, a town of 175 people, with ten or twelve stores, was totally destroyed by fire Friday, with loss of over $50.-000, and only one building, the store of Baker & Hoggard, is left standing.

Hon. Hoke Smith, who went from Atlanta to Washington when he heard of Secretary Hitchcock's charges, denounces as "a baseless charge", the declaration that former Secretary Smith's approval of a lease of oil lands in Indian Terr'i'y was a national scandal. At the time the lease was granted no oil had been discovered and the Indians passed on the lease first.

A delegation of southern cotton growers and manufacturers met at Washington yesterday in pursuance of a resolution adopted by the Southern Inter-State Cotton Convention, held at New Orleans last month, and discussed the general cotton situation. It was arranged to call upon President Roosevelt next Monday and present to him an address to ask his co-operation in bringing about conditions under which it will be possible to improve the cotton industry.

A dispatch from Atlanta announces that President Harvie Jordan, of the Southern Cotton Association will, make tour of the South at an early date. He has received a number of invitations to visit the different sections of the South since the organization of the association at New Orleans. He will go to New Orleans first, then Texas, Indian Territory, Oklahoma, Mississippi, Alabama and Tennessee. He will make speeches in every State interested in the movement for a decrease in cotton acreage and a decrease of fertilizers used.

OUR DISTRICT NURSE.

[Communicated.]

No organized effort for good is of more practical value to the community than the district nurse work, now having been maintained for several months. Undertaken at first by one of our churches, it is gradually receiving the general recognition and support it needs and merits. In taking up the work of district nursing. Miss Lawrason is putting aside the more independent and more lucrative life of a trained nurse for the simply Christian purpose of doing good to the large number who need, but cannot pay for her services. Her salary is just enough for her support. The other expenses of the work are medicines, proper food and the other aids to comfort and recovering in illness. To see the value of the work one would have to follow the nurse in her daily rounds, which cover as many cases as any physician has, over a wider territory and under more trying conditions. The larger part of her work takes her through the sanitary streets, beyond car lines, out to the hospital, over in Brooklyn, way out South Front street. With the skill and knowledge of a trained nurse she carries the brightness and sympathy of a true Christian character. Already there are many families in which she is beloved. Here she has brought back to life the little unmanned unclaimed, half-starved infant left at the door, there she has done all possible to save the sickly child whose young mother was too ignorant and too poor to do what was needed and here again she enters to make things clean and tidy, to give cheer and hope and relief in the home where two are in bed and the other half sick and all are disheartened.

So far, the chief support of the work comes from a very few individuals and from the Missionary Circle of the King's Daughters. The ladies of this circle represent almost every Christian denomination in the city. Besides donating one-seventh of the salary of the nurse, they are constantly contributing articles needed in the sick room and have three permanent committees actively at service in the work. The valuable work of these committees is signified by their names, the visiting committee, the sick committee and the given committee. One item of the diet committee is the making and sending soup and other nourishment each day to those whom the nurse reports as needing this nourishment. Clean linen is furnished for garments, bed clothing and bandages. In no way is the nurse more encouraged and upheld than by the personal visits of the cheerful Christian women on the visitidg committee.

The work does not tend to pauperizing and pandering, but to teach, to relieve, to give hope and courage and health, cleanliness, tidiness and the proper amount of pride and an abundance of Christian love to those needing these things. It is for those of all and those of no religious creeds, who are in need. Its support should be as general, its existence should be permanent. Contributions may be sent to Miss Susie or Miss Carrie Price, Sixth and Queen streets.

FAYETTEVILLE WATER WORKS.

Judge Purnell Renders Decision Enforcing Sale According to Appraisement.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 18.—Judge Purnell in the U. S. Court to-day rendered an opinion in the case of the City of Fayetteville vs. Fayetteville Water, Light and Power Company involving the sale of the water works to the city, holding that the water company must sell to the city and makes a decree enforcing the award, which is that the city should own the water works on payment of $79,000 and compelling the water company to convey the plant for that amount. The gist of the opinion is that the appraisement of the property was incident to a contract of sale. All other issues in the case are ignored.

Bishop Strange in Florence.

Yesterday afternoon's Florence Times says: "The Right Rev. Robert Strange, D. D., Bishop of the Eastern Carolina diocese, confirmed a class of three at John's last night and preached an eloquent and earnest sermon on faith. Bishop Strange is one of the most distinguished bishops of the Episcopal church and his service was a hint to the congregation of St. John's. The former pastor, Rev. Harold Thomas, assisted Bishop Strange in the confirmation, and the congregation was delighted to see him back. Mr. Thomas returned to Wilmington this morning."

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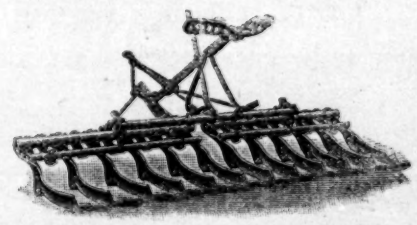

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